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677-4042**Agency wants citizens panel to oversee grizzly plan****The Associated Press**

BOISE — The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service wants a citizens panel to oversee management of an experimental population of grizzly bears that would be released in central Idaho, but

"It's an opportunity for us as a community to bring patients something that would be difficult for either of us to accomplish alone."

— Mike Archart,

Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital administrator

Hospital is moving a magnetic resonance imaging machine by crane into its new home Monday. The unit has an "open-architecture" style so patients won't have to endure the confining quarters

of the tube of a traditional MRI machine.

The purchase of the \$900,000 piece of equipment was a joint venture between the clinic and Magic Valley Regional Medical

Center, and it's part of a series of cooperative efforts between the two health care providers, said Mike Archart, the clinic's administrator.

"It's an opportunity for us as a community to bring patients something that would be difficult for either of us to accomplish alone,"

— Jerry Marlow, chief executive officer at Magic Valley Regional, said there was a definite local need for the new machine. Many

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Phillip Currie shows his map during a news conference Friday at the Washington (D.C.) Art Center. Currie says the giant meat-eater is a new species.

Researchers claim giant meat-eater**The Associated Press**

Scientists have discovered the bones of what could be largest meat-eating dinosaur ever to walk the Earth — a needle-nosed, razor-toothed beast that may have been more terrifying than even the Tyrannosaurus rex. A team of researchers from Argentina and the United States unearthed the preferred alternative for grizzly reintroduction in a final environmental impact statement.

The bear, listed as a threat-



ty that they lived and hunted in packs — which would make them even more menacing to prey.

"You always think of these things as being solitary. Now we know they traveled in packs," Phillip Currie, one of two scientists to make the discovery, said in an interview Friday. He works with the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Alberta, Canada.

Currie said the newly discovered species lived about 100 million years ago, and was heavier and had slightly shorter legs than the T-rex, which roamed North America. It had a tall and short front legs that were basically useless.

Researchers estimated the meat-eating giant was 45 feet long, bigger than the reigning king of the carnivores, the 41-foot Giganotosaurus.

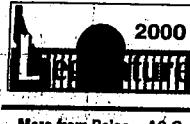
House backs school safety code

Measure would mandate statewide building standards; debate included issue of local control

The Associated Press

BOISE — The House approved the stick half of a carrot-and-stick plan for addressing school safety problems, a measure that would undermine one of the things lawmakers cherish most about Idaho's education system — local control.

The 44-25 vote on Friday came after almost an hour of debate on the bill that would mandate development of statewide school building safety standards and



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establish a process for closing schools that pose any "imminent safety hazard."

"We have a very serious problem in this state," Education Chairman Fred Tilman, R-Boise, said. "If you don't like this bill, then you better come up with some other solutions because the problems are still there."

Designed as a companion to two House-passed proposals to make low-interest loans available to schools facing safety problems, the bill was proposed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to fulfill what he said in his State of the State address was a "moral responsibility"

to ensure Idaho children have safe public schools.

Meanwhile, the first week of an expected trial overheard before 4th District Judge Deborah Barr wound up across the street from the Capitol. Fifteen school districts are arguing that the state is not meeting its constitutional duty to ensure Idaho children can attend safe, learning-friendly schools.

The bill sent to the Senate on Friday would create a nine-member committee, including one

local school trustee and one local superintendent, to develop a uniform school building safety code that would be enforced by the state Division of Building Safety.

The proposal would require annual inspection by the state Division of Building Safety for compliance with the code, and school districts would be informed if any immediate risk of death or injury were found and verified by the state Department.

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Hansen school mourns student

Small town loses one of its own in crash

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

HANSEN — Classmates are like family for the approximately 120 students at Hansen High School.

On Friday, students mourned the loss of 17-year-old Tim Dulin. One day after Dulin crashed head-on into a delivery truck, administrators held a student body meeting to confirm Dulin's death.

The school's resource officer gave students the details of the accident to curb rumors, counselor Gary McEwen said.

"It was pretty sorrowful," student body President Tony Ostrander said. "It was kind of grief in the faces of the kids around. I didn't see anybody who didn't have a tear in their eyes. I think everybody felt the loss."

Ostrander had played basketball and football with Dulin.

"He was only a mile and a half behind me when it happened," Ostrander said. "We take the same route to school. It seemed like he was going to be OK. I found out last night he died. I was shocked, but I hurt more than everything."

When faculty members received word Thursday afternoon that Dulin would not survive, they began preparations to help — students — cope. Administrators called in several additional counselors and religious leaders from around the Mason Valley.

With a small school it's kind of like everybody knows each other," Ostrander said. "It's almost like a family situation. We look after each other like family members, and when we lose someone it's like we've lost a family member."

"Tim was kind of a clever kid," Ostrander added. "He always had a smile on his face, he loved to laugh and was just a bright kid."

After the assembly, students milled through the halls, talking to classmates and counselors. Many signed banners and made cards for Dulin's family.

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High: 40 Low: 21
Mostly cloudy today, breezy, chance of snow.
Partly cloudy tonight, partly cloudy Sunday, high 38.

Treasure Valley

High: 45 Low: 30
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Partly cloudy Sunday, high 50.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 34 Low: 19
Mostly cloudy today, breezy, chance of snow. Partly cloudy tonight, partly cloudy Sunday, high 38.

Eastern Idaho

High: 42 Low: 23
Mostly cloudy today and tonight, breezy, chance of snow. Partly cloudy tonight, partly cloudy Sunday, high 42.

Northern Idaho

High: 42 Low: 27
Mostly cloudy today, chance of rain. Partly cloudy tonight, partly cloudy Sunday, high 42.

Northern Utah

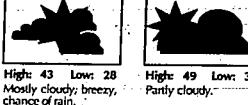
High: 49 Low: 34
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Same Sunday, high 45.

Northern Nevada

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Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Partly cloudy Sunday, high 50.

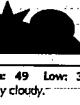
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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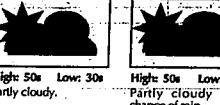
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Sunday



High: 49 Low: 31
Partly cloudy.

Monday



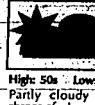
High: 50s Low: 30s
Partly cloudy.

Tuesday



High: 50s Low: 30s
Partly cloudy with chance of rain.

Wednesday

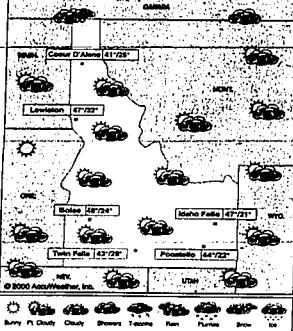


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Idaho weather

Saturday, March 11

AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures



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Burn time: 60 minutes

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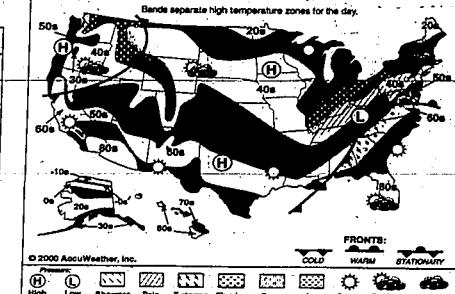
Sunrise today: 6:40 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow: 6:56 a.m.

Lunar phase: First quarter, March 13; full, March 19; last quarter, March 27; new, April 4.

National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Saturday, March 11.



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Turn to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz. The internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.id.us/trafinfo/road.htm>

ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: Winds gusting to more than 70 mph swept through northern Texas on Friday, causing severe damage to buildings under construction near Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Several construction workers were injured, at least one of whom reported minor damage and flight delays. The boundary stretched from Texas into North Carolina. Areas to its north had temperatures in the 30s and 40s, while to its south, places such as Austin, Texas enjoyed a balmy day in the 70s. Severe thunderstorms rumbled east from

Birmingham, Ala. into Georgia.

The northern Plains, Great Lakes, Ohio Valley and Northeast largely had a day of fair skies, save some partly to mostly cloudy conditions in Wisconsin and Michigan.

Show showers were also reported in the northern Rockies, Montana and Wyoming.

The rest of the country had mostly dry and dry conditions, though clouds built over the Pacific Northwest in advance of an approaching storm. Rain showers fell in northwest California.

—The Associated Press

Schools

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of Administration through evaluation by a licensed, independent inspector.

School districts then would have to correct the problem, and if no action is taken the Division of Building Safety could seek a court order to shut down the school involved. If the district willfully ignores the problem, the state schools superintendent would be authorized to withhold state support payments and use money to address the safety hazard.

The bill also would require all school construction plans to be reviewed by the Division of Building Safety, and that inspections of all remodeling and new construction of schools be conducted by certified inspectors or licensed architects or engineers.

Opponents argued that such requirements essentially stripped local school officials of authority over their own building decisions. "It seems that in every instance

they're put in a subordinate position. And that might never be a strong enough card to sway a subdivision," Republican Rep. Wayne Kendall of Aberdeen said. "It will be a nightmare for our local boards and superintendents."

GOP Rep. Twila Hornbeck of Grangeville said applying such bureaucratic oversight was especially onerous since the state was refusing to provide any real financial support — beyond the promise of \$200 million loan fund — to meet school districts' facilities needs.

"We've given them one dollar, and here we're putting in state control of their building plans," she said.

Rep. Todd Hammond said with out any money behind such an effort, the new requirements might just yield another lawsuit against the state from school districts unable to find the cash for financing the work or repaying a loan.

he park, just to get away from the classroom setting.

"It's just a real difficult situation," Principal Rick Abel said. "We're proud of our kids and our staff and how they worked together today. Tim was well-liked, respected and an all-around good kid."

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denney can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.

Former White House contractor alleges threats

WASHINGTON (AP) — In court papers unsealed Friday, a former White House contractor says she was warned not to reveal a problem with the White House e-mail system that concealed thousands of messages from the Justice Department and congressional insiders.

The contractor, Betty Lambuth, says a subordinate told her about the e-mails deal with "Vice President Al Gore's involvement in campaign fund-raising controversies" and "the sale of Clinton Commerce Department trade mission seats in exchange for campaign contributions." The subordinate said the e-mail also had information on the White House's Improper gathering of FBI backlog file of disgruntled Republican appointees and the Monica Lewinsky scandal, Lambuth stated in her declaration.

The document was unsealed by U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth.

Lambuth says she learned of a problem with the White House e-mail system in May 1998 in the

midst of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's perjury and obstruction probe of the president in the Lewinsky scandal.

Because of the e-mail problem,

which began in August 1996 in the middle of the Clinton-Gore re-election campaign, "a significant number of e-mails were ... not being searched in response to subpoenas and document requests," Lambuth said.

"I learned that one of the computer mail servers, which housed incoming e-mail to much of the Clinton White House staff, approximately 500 individuals, was not being ... managed" by the automated records system. The system allows text to be searched in response to "subpoenas and other inquiries," said Lambuth.

White House counsel of

Administration council Margaret Lindsay told her "that if I or any of my team who knew about the e-mail problem told anyone else about it we would lose our jobs, be arrested and put in jail," she said.

Grizzly

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he said. "We've seen in other areas it's possible to recreate in bear territory. People shouldn't put themselves in thick brush situations to encounter a bear at short range, keep clean camps and put food in bearproof containers."

The news was not welcome in Idaho's political circles.

Kempton, who is still opposed to reintroduction in Idaho, said Secretary Mark Snyder said, "We have a constitutional defense fund and the governor would not be shy about using it."

The fund is a trust of about \$1 million to battle for the state's interests in court.

The much-awaited environmental impact statement was slated to be released as early as May, but it has been pushed back a number of times to accommodate a lengthy internal review process within Fish and Wildlife.

A 30-day comment period running from March 24 to April 24 is planned and with a final announcement in late spring or early summer.

The preferred option calls for 25 bears to be introduced in the Sawtooth-Bitterroot and Frank Church-River of No Return wilderness areas over five years.

The grizzlies would be declared a "nonessential, experimental" population and be managed by a committee of citizens.

MRI

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larger patients cannot fit into the old "closed" machine, and most patients suffered some degree of claustrophobia in the unit. Having undergone three MRIs himself, Hart said he knows how it feels.

Hart said the traditional units caused some patients so much suffering that physicians were forced to use Valium to calm them.

"I don't think that's something you want to do if you can avoid it," he said.

The MRI unit should be up and running by early April.

It's not the only joint venture between the hospitals.

Thanks to Magic Valley Regional, the clinic has a new billing and administration system. Magic Valley Regional holds the license to its Meditech system, and the clinic acts as a sublicensee, Arheart said.

The decision to share technology stemmed from a desire to conserve resources.

"They were faced with a situation where they were going to go out and spend a great deal of money," Hart said. "So we just sat down with them and asked, 'Are we duplicating services? Can we use the same technology that we have available and extend it to you?'

Hart said the MRI and software projects represent the second the two organizations have made in the last year to work together, and it doesn't end there.

The clinic and Magic Valley Regional are joining forces to recruit two medical oncologists to administer chemotherapy to cancer patients. The Magic Valley has been relying on traveling physicians to perform this service.

"We knew that it wasn't the ideal, we were striving for it. There's a continuity that needs to be maintained in all patients, but with cancer patients in particular," Hart said.

Working together, the hospitals have been able to recruit one oncologist already, and she starts in the beginning of May. She is being contracted by the Mountain States Oncology Group out of Boise but will work locally, Hart said. He hopes another will be hired soon.

The organizations have also talked about working together on a women's health center and non-clinical services such as laundry and waste removal. The two projects have not yet gotten off the ground, and the hospitals will start collaborative projects only if it is in the patients' best interest.

"If we can't provide a better service or can't provide patients money, then we shouldn't be doing it," Hart said. "You know, we spent an awful lot of money on health care in this country, but are we always spending those dollars wisely?"

Hart said the collaboration is all about helping patients.

"I think we will always to some extent be competing against each other, but I don't think we should penalize the community by the duplication of expensive technology," he said.

Arheart agreed, and said some competition can sap hospital resources and have a negative impact on patient care.

"It doesn't make sense to have duplication of services and counter-productive competition," he said. "There's only so much money around to invest in facilities and services."

CORRECTION

A headline in Friday's edition concerning an Idaho Supreme Court ruling on water rights was incorrect.

The court ruled Thursday that the federal government must follow standard Idaho water-users procedure when claiming a water right beyond those reserved by Congress.

The Times-News regrets the error.

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LOTTERY UPDATE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 NUMBERS

POWERBALL: 14, 17, 23, 30

POWERBALL REVERSE: 3, 10, 14, 21, 24

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SUNDAY, APRIL 30 NUMBERS



Dino Campagni, right, and Jack Goller work to install a drainage pipe to alleviate some of the water building up on a hillside above some homes in Millbrae, Calif., Friday. Five homes were evacuated on Tuesday as relentless winter rains weakened the hillside that looms above Pinehurst Court.

Mudslide wipes out five California homes

MILLBRAE, Calif. (AP) — A wall of mud descended Friday on five pricey but now-abandoned houses, caving in walls and pushing them off their foundations.

City officials used guns and poles to shatter the windows in one home. Thursday to prevent broken glass from spilling out, mud shoved against the walls. At another home, a tree had punched through the walls of the garage.

An almost nonstop string of rainy winter storms in San Francisco area caused the hill to begin sliding about two weeks ago. The sun popped out today and there was no rain in the forecast through the weekend.

For 1½ hours, mud at the bottom of the steep hillside in Millbrae, 13 miles south of San Francisco, have been evacuated since Tuesday, when mud began pouring in and city officials ordered residents out. Some of the homes are worth as



much as \$500,000.

The city also told residents of three homes on top of the hill not to go in their backyards, and have warned they also could be evacuated.

Earlier in the week, Maria Delgado and her family moved out of their home. This morning, she returned to look at the house, which had shifted off its foundation and was listing at a 45-degree angle.

Court finds airman guilty

HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. (AP) — An Air Force helicopter pilot honored for leading a daring rescue off Iceland was found guilty at a court-martial Friday of repeatedly molesting two women.

Col. James A. Sills, 48, was also found guilty of assaulting his estranged wife, having an inappropriate relationship with his secretary and lying to investigators. He faces up to 34 years in prison.

The eight senior officers on the court-martial panel deliberated for 13 hours. They were to hear further testimony before sentencing Sills, who also could lose rank, pay and benefits and be dismissed from the Air Force.

Sills showed remorse as the verdict was read. The 6-foot, 6-inch pilot, in his blue dress uniform with rows of decorations on

his chest, towered over a civilian and two Air Force defense lawyers who stood alongside him.

Sills was acclaimed for leading two helicopters through stormy weather to rescue six seamen who had abandoned their ship off Iceland in 1994. Sills and the other crew were awarded the Mackay Trophy for the year's most meritorious Air Force flight.

One alleged victim testified during the two-week trial that Sills groped and fondled her repeatedly over a 10-year period, starting when she was 10. The girl, now 21, also alleged he once had oral sex with her.

Defense lawyer Drew Pinkerton argued there were "terrible, terrible inconsistencies" in the prosecution's case, based solely on the women's accusations, which Sills denied.

Mom grateful for daughter's safe return

TRENTON, Fla. (AP) — The mother of a 10-year-old girl who was snatched from her driveway and held for three days thanked the child's captor Friday for releasing her alive.

Investigators continued to hunt for the kidnapper and released no details of what happened to Jessica Rodriguez during her captivity.

"I want to tell the man who had Jessica, 'Thank you very much for dropping her off safely,'" said her mother, Jennifer

Graham, mixing laughter and tears. "And she's doing great. She's playing. She's so happy. She's wonderful."

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U.S. unveils plan to cut summer air traffic delays

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trying to avoid a repeat of last year's long air travel delays, President Clinton Friday announced a plan to ease gridlock when spring and summer thunderstorms snarl traffic at the nation's airports.

With aviation industry officials and his transportation secretary beside him, Clinton announced an

effort to reduce delays through shared use of high-technology weather forecasts. It also features a Federal Aviation Administration Web site with information about the weather's impact on travel schedules. It will debut on April 3.

"Until we work our way to get Mother Nature to cooperate, storms, delays and cancellations will always be with us," Clinton said. "If we can photograph and

analyze weather patterns from space, we ought to be able to tell passengers why they are delayed and for how long."

Also, traffic planners at the FAA's air traffic control system command center in Herndon, Va., will be given more authority to make decisions to keep traffic moving. The FAA and the airlines will hold teleconferences throughout the day to address

conditions two to six hours away. To help speed traffic in poor weather, the Pentagon will work with the FAA to allow use of military airspace off the East Coast. The FAA and the airlines also have developed a list of alternate routes to take aircraft around storms and have agreed to make better use of lower-level airspace to deal with more traffic at peak times.

Eight Iranians face indictment for espionage, reports Customs

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) — Eight Iranian Defense Ministry officials are under federal indictment here for trying to obtain military secrets and smuggle them out of the country in 1996, the U.S. Customs Service said.

Special agent Brian Buschini said the indictments, handed up in November 1996 and January 1997, remain sealed.

But he said in Friday's Great Falls Journal that authorities decided to release some information in the hope the public will identify at least one of the eight who is known to travel extensively in the United States and Europe.

Buschini would not say what secrets the Iranians allegedly tried to obtain, but said their success would have significantly compromised U.S. military abilities in the Middle East and endangered Iranian military.

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One person buschini contacted said: "Engineering Consortium of Iran" is a front for the Revolutionary Guard.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Tribe abruptly drops adjudication appeal

TWIN FALLS - The Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation on Friday abruptly dropped its attempt to assert water rights claim in the sweeping Snake River Basin Adjudication.

Just after beginning the oral argument in the case before the state Supreme Court, the attorney for the band told the court that the real interest of the Shoshone was to claim hunting and fishing rights off the easement lands.

He agreed to drop the appeal in the water rights case after the state agreed it would not use that decision in any legal confrontation over hunting and fishing rights.

The band had gone to the Supreme Court after former adjudication Judge Daniel Hurlbut dismissed its water rights petition for failure to present in court and comply with court orders.

Hurlbut based his ruling on the fact that the band had done nothing to prosecute the water claims for five years, adversely affecting the state by the delay.

Beware of possible credit card phone scam

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County investigators are looking into a possible credit card phone scam.

The sheriff's office recently had a report of a caller saying he was from a fraud prevention company and asking a woman for her credit card number, said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the sheriff's office.

The woman refused to give the number and the caller became rude and threatening, Howell said.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office has some advice for protecting yourself from phone scams, including:

- Don't ever give out your credit card number to a solicitor over the phone. (Numbers on the back of your credit card are the same as the numbers on the front.)

- Don't ever give out any PIN numbers.

- Don't ever give out any personal information.

- Don't ever give out any phone credit card/calling card information.

- Always try to get the name of the company calling you, a phone number, name of caller and date and time of call. Also take note of the mood and tone of the conversation.

- If you have been a victim or have information, contact the Idaho State Gibbs at 736-4109. Victims of phone scams are also asked to call the Attorney General's Office at 1-800-432-3545 or file a written report with the office's website at www.state.id.us/ag.

Compiled from staff reports

WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Mario Hernandez.

Age: 46.

Description: Hispanic male,

height 5'10", weight 190,

black hair and brown eyes.

Charged with:

Aggravated assault.



CRIMES SToppers

Others wanted in the area:

- Gregory Wayne Belday, 40, charged with failure to appear. Originally charged with possession of a controlled substance.

- David Brian Jay, 19, charged with a probation or parole violation. Originally charged with lewd and lascivious conduct.

- Maycoll David Martinez, 24, charged with failure to appear. Originally charged with domestic battery and injury to a child.

- Ignacio Silva, 42, charged with failure to appear.

- Originally charged with possession of a controlled substance.

- Douglas Wede Standis, 32, charged with failure to appear. Originally charged with grand theft.

- Anyone with information can call the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office at 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

Attorney presents appeal

Paul man's lawyer contends jury acted out of self-interest in deciding injury case

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Jurors might have been acting out of self-interest when they reached a verdict involving a Paul man,

who was badly injured when he attempted to restore power at his home, an attorney for the man contends.

Testimony on October 1998 trial said Idaho Power Co. ratepayers, including jury mem-

bers, bear the cost of delinquent payments in Idaho Power rate increases, E. Lee Schlander, an attorney for Russell and Nancy Orthman, said in an Idaho Supreme Court appeal Friday.

Jurors also were told they

would end up paying for any damages awarded to the Orthmans in future rate increases. So, Schlander said, jurors might have brought their own self-interest into play.

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A FRIEND IN DEED



Myrna Bell and Charity Hodges share a light moment together. Hodges is a hospice care worker who sits with Bell, who has Alzheimer's, 20 hours per week. Hospice Visions is seeking donations to buy a house to better serve their clients who are terminally ill.

Hospice seeks to make last days easier

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

Hospice Visions house

TWIN FALLS - Helping terminally ill people die with dignity is the goal of Hospice Visions, and with a new hospice home it would be able to help even more people, the group says.

It is looking to the community for help to acquire a five-bedroom home worth at least \$150,000. Four bedrooms would be used for patients, one for an in-home hospice worker.

With the house, Twin Falls-based Hospice Visions would be able to take care of patients who need treatment 24 hours every day.

"Some people fall-through the cracks," said Flo Slatter, Hospice Visions volunteer and bereavement coordinator. "There comes a time, when they need it, we'd like to make it possible they can be admitted to the home."

Individuals become eligible for hospice care once they are certified by a physician as having a terminal illness with a life expectancy of six months or less. Hospice Visions, the only com-

pletely nonprofit hospice in the area, is available to all terminally ill individuals regardless of age or ability to pay.

The nonprofit does receive funding through Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance. Individuals without insurance receive care regardless of their ability to pay. Hospice Visions holds annual fund raisers to offset the cost of noninsured patients.

Last year, one-third of Visions' patients could have benefited from the home, Hospice

Visions Executive Director Tammy Slatter-Giese said.

"Just in our hospice program alone there were roughly 25 people who could have used it," she said. "That's not even counting patients who didn't get referred to us."

"We get more and more referrals at the time," Slatter added. "People who don't attempt to prolong or shorten the lives of those with terminal illnesses. They try to make dying more comfortable."

"We give care to treat symptoms," Slatter said. "We don't expect to cure them, we just make them comfortable, and we are there with them when they die."

"People are sometimes afraid of dying," said Pam Wathen, Hospice Home office manager. "If you can educate them, help them, it is more peaceful."

Idaho's only other hospice home, in Nampa, has room for only two patients. The Hospice Visions home would take in anybody who needs help and fits the requirements, and would give families another option, Slatter-Giese said.

"As far as people who live alone, they would either need to go to a residential home, hire someone to take care of them, or go to the hospital to die," she said. "With the home, they'd be surrounded by people they already know, we'd help control their symptoms, and they'd have much more dignity."

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First lady, actress call for support

Idaho Children's Trust Fund runs short of money

By Jay Howser
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Idaho is struggling in the battle against child abuse and neglect, and two state luminaries came to town Friday to do something about it.

First Lady Patricia Kempthorne and former "Dynasty" star Pamela Sue Martin may be on opposite ends of the political spectrum, but they were together in Twin Falls giving their support to the Idaho Children's Trust Fund, an organization that does a lot of good things for the state but desperately needs more support, they said.

ICTF gets most of its funds from a check-off donation on Line 55 on Idaho individual income tax forms. The funds are used to create mini-grants of no more than \$5,000 that go directly to programs statewide to help break the cycle of child abuse and neglect, said Kiki Tidwell, a member of ICTF's advisory panel.

Last year ICTF received approximately \$300,000 in funding requests but was able to meet only \$70,802 of that sum, Tidwell said.

Kempthorne said ICTF is grateful for every contribution it receives and the money is distributed well, but \$70,000 for the entire state is simply not enough.

"We all know child abuse happens, but we don't want to believe it happens in our own state. But it does," Kempthorne said. "Supporting ICTF is a way that everybody can help."

Kempthorne said Idaho faces a formidable challenge in the fight against child abuse. The state had 11,770 reported cases of abuse in 1999, up from 9,994 in 1998. While she said this statistic indicates methods of reporting abuse are improving, it also highlights a dire need for action.

"That's where the taxpayers come in," Tidwell said, and any size donation is welcome.

"With these small Idaho communities a \$5,000 mini-grant can really make a difference," she said. "It's such a simple thing that people can do, but it can make a difference."

Martin said she was moved to support ICTF after hearing astonishing stories of child abuse from a friend who had been a social worker. She said the more she heard, the more she understood how real the problem is in Idaho.

Martin pointed out that abused and neglected children are more likely to exhibit antisocial behavior patterns or get involved in criminal activity.

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Zone change request meets some resistance

Residents object to commercial use on street of homes

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Commercialization is the last thing Diana Thomas said she wants to see on her street, besides a gas station.

Thomas, who lives on 10th Avenue North, said she is concerned about a zone change request being brought before the city's planning and zoning commission and about its effects, if approved, on her neighborhood and others in the area.

The request asks the commission to change the zoning on several pieces of property off Addison Avenue from resi-

dential professional overlay to commercial overlay.

Several property owners, including Tim and Kate Coiner, Don Rake, Rockey and Mary Silgar and the law firm of Hutchinson and Lammers, requested the change.

The properties are at 105 Buchanan St., 1025 Shoshone St. N., 840 Addison Ave., 104 Lincoln St., 105 Lincoln St. and 156 10th Ave. N.

Thomas, who owns a therapeutic massage business in downtown Twin Falls just off Shoshone Street, said her concerns are valid.

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TRACKING TRANSIT

Blaine County officials to revisit mass transportation

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - Blaine County's elected officials have decided to take another look at public transportation.

"Three years ago we sent out 13,000 questionnaires asking the community what the top issues were and the No. 1 issue was transportation," said Linda O'Shea, the Sun Valley City Council's president. "Some people said, 'We need mass transit, been there, done that.' But this is a new opportunity. We have a growing population, elderly, handicapped and young who need to drive. We need to do something."

And mass transit could draw a broader clientele, based on what

has happened in other resort communities..

About 30 percent of the working-class commute to Aspen do so via public transportation, Ketchum City Administrator Jim Jaquet said.

If the Wood River area pursues mass transit, one avenue could be a regional public transportation authority. About 50 people met this week to learn what it would take to set up such a group.

An authority, established by local governments and voters, coordinates public transportation services for a specific area. It could help plan transit activities, coordinate schedules, maximize dollars spent on transit and provide a focus for public involvement, said Marc Johnson, a consultant with the Gallatin Group, a Boise-based consulting company.

An authority could establish regular mass transit service from Carey to the Sawtooth National Recreation Area headquarters.

north of Ketchum. It could set up van pooling as far south as Shoshone for workers who commute to Ketchum.

And it could help get funding for programs.

Idaho has two such authorities: a joint effort between Ada and Canyon counties and one in the Idaho Falls area, Coeur d'Alene, is considering one.

For Blaine County officials, the next step might be to dust off a dormant group to take a closer look at the issue.

The Regional Transportation Commission - a Regional Council of Governments, made up of elected officials from throughout Blaine County - plans to meet March 28.

The council hasn't met in a couple years but it would be a good group to have explore the transit issue, Blaine County Commissioner Mary Ann Mik said.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Ketchum P&Z Commission hears plea to keep trees, plan for parking

By Karen Bogsick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — The trees can stay. But offices? Well that's a subject up for debate.

An debate is what you got Thursday night as Ketchum Planning and Zoning commissioners staged yet another public hearing — this time on what belongs in downtown Ketchum or, as they prefer to call it, the community core.

The hearing was designed to get input on Ketchum's revised draft comprehensive plan scheduled to go before the City Council in April.

Ketchum resident Joyce Bell pleaded with commissioners not to cut evergreens and other trees in downtown Ketchum, except in cases where they become uprooted or hazardous. Make builders build around them she said.

Realtor Jed Gray seconded her motion, provided the trees get protected from 6 feet and taller don't get poked in the eye.

"As a matter of practice, we have arguments over every tree that's involved in a construction project," Commissioner Peter Gray said. "If a tree is damaged, we have it replaced."

Whether or not office space should be restricted to or even encouraged in downtown,

Core Issues

Ketchum Planning and Zoning commissioners plan to hear more input on Ketchum's community core at 7:30 p.m. Monday and 5:30 p.m. Thursday at City Hall.

Ketchum was not as easy a matter to resolve.

Encouraging office development outside the core could alleviate parking problems downtown.

There's nothing deadlier than an office building after 5, added Ketchum resident Craven Young. To limit offices anywhere but in the core conflicts with the goal of keeping the core alive and vital after 5. Already, there is plenty of vacant office space in the core, and that's not good for the vitality of the city, which he said historically has been to focus time.

Maybe things will have to change, he added. Maybe people who work in the core will have to park on the fringe and walk.

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regulations you're going to have a real bust office in the tourist zone if you want to have parking. We keep trying to put retail, commercial office, residential and everything else in the core. We want to make it pedestrian-friendly and keep automobiles out and have office parking all at the same time. All of this is creating a mess.

"All of us are learning as we go so we don't purport to have a great mind," Sievers said. "But the driving consensus has been historically has been to focus time."

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SERVICES

Ella M. Pedersen of Hansen, services at 1 p.m., today at Shoshone Falls. A private Irish wake will follow for family members (White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls).

John L. Howe of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m., March 19, at the Grace Baptist Church (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Jean Mary (Sabin) Bennett of Challis, memorial services at 2 p.m., today at Challis High School Gymnasium (Summers Funeral Home in Boise).

Lawrence Roemer of Nampa

and formerly of Rupert, memorial service for Lawrence and Audene Roemer at 2:30 p.m., March 14 at the Nampa Care Center at 404 Horton St. in Nampa.

Richard E. Hunt of Myrtle Creek, Ore., and formerly of Deeth, services at 11 a.m. today at the First Assembly of God Church on Division Street in Myrtle Creek, Ore. (Myrtle Creek Family Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Genevieve V. Sojka of Twin Falls, viewing from 7 to 9 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; services at 4 p.m., March 12 at Ascension

Church at 210 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

Robert L. Bailey of Twin Falls, services at 1 p.m., today at the Tenth Ward LDS Chapel at 229 Park Ave. in Twin Falls. Friends may call from noon to 12:45 p.m. before services today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Norma T. Kerbs of Twin Falls, services at 11 a.m. March 13 at the Tenth Ward LDS Chapel at 229 Park Ave. in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. with family greeting friends from 6-8 p.m. March 12 at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and from 9:45-10:45 a.m. March 13 at the church.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
Geraldine Jones of Twin Falls; Dominique Urias of Eden.

Dismissed
Faith Head of Shoshone; Valerie Martinez of Buell.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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Admits
Dolores Moller, Shirley Wendell, Noah Wilson and Pamela Fraze and baby girl, all of Rupert.

Dismissed
Kelly Knight, Omega Lord and Norma S. Leon and baby girl, all of Rupert; and Rebecca Lisonbee and baby boy, both of Paul.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 732-0331, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

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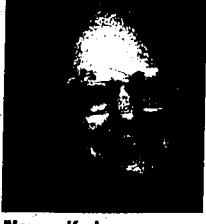


William K. 'Bill' Holmes
William K. 'Bill' Holmes, 69, of Nampa, and formerly of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, March 8, 2000, at a Boise hospital.

Bill was born September 21, 1930, in Twin Falls, Idaho, and one of his earliest memories was of his parents, John and Ruby Harris Holmes. After graduating from Twin Falls High School, Bill joined the Navy and served in Korea. Upon his return to Twin Falls, Bill met his bride, Phyllis Ann Madsen, on July 2, 1955, and Bill and Phyllis had three children, Linda (Dorell) Olsen of Boise, and Marvin (Sandy) Karts of Meridian. She is also survived by three sisters, Mildred Schenk of Heyburn, Rova Falto of California, and Alton Johnson of Meridian, 21 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2000, at the Twin Falls Second Ward building at 224 Park Ave. Friends and family may call at White Mortuary in Twin Falls from 4 to 6 p.m., with a special family viewing from 6 to 8 p.m.

TWIN FALLS



Norma Kerbs
Norma Kerbs, 62, of Twin Falls, passed away at her home on Thursday, March 9, 2000, sur-

rounded by her family, after losing her fight with cancer.

She was born Nov. 16, 1937, in Burley, Idaho, the daughter of Alma Charles and Ethel Robertson Tilley. She was the mother of 15 children, the last four being born when she lived on a farm three miles west of Burley on the banks of the Snake River. She graduated from Burley High School in 1953. Norma married George Kerbs on May 26, 1957. Bill was a member of the Church of Latter-day Saints. She and George were sealed in the Idaho Falls Temple in 1954. She provided service through many callings as a teacher, a homemaker, a member in the Relief Society and Primary, and according to her grandchildren, the best Sunbeam teacher ever. She grew up on a farm and learned early in life the value of hard work and taught her children the same. She enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her husband, George, and their three sons. She enjoyed time with her family through camping, fishing, hunting, vacationing, holidays, birthdays and family reunions. She and George were avid bowlers and won many championships and trophies. Norma was a caring wife caring for family and friends.

Norma is survived by her husband George; children, Gene Kerbs of Salt Lake City, Utah, Loraine (Mark) Barlett of Hansen, Bill (Gloria) Kerbs of Meridian, Linda (Dorell) Olsen of Boise, and Marvin (Sandy) Karts of Meridian. She is also survived by three sisters, Mildred Schenk of Heyburn, Rova Falto of California, and Alton Johnson of Meridian, 21 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

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Filer disbands planning commission

By Mickey Brown
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Problems finding people to serve on the six-member commission and lack of members led the City Council on Tuesday to pass an ordinance dissolving its planning and zoning commission.

The City Council will now be responsible for approving building permits and dealing with other zoning matters within city limits. Two people living in the city's area of impact will be appointed to the council to provide input on zoning decisions in outlying areas.

In one council business, John Root and Greg Farley presented a preliminary proposal for a mobile home park and subdivision north of Filer. Root said the mobile park would rent lots to owners of manufactured homes. Other lots would be used for stick-built homes.

This park would be similar to the Lazy-J Ranch, Root said. "Farley will still own the lots and

Meeting

he will definitely have an interest in making sure those renters take care of both the property and the units."

He said the park will be developed in two or three phases.

"The plan is to have the development along with curb, gutter, sidewalks, covenants, common areas and storage areas complying with all city ordinances," Root said.

Councilman Bob Templeman was reluctant to give his endorsement to the project.

"I'm not in favor of it by any means," Templeman said. "I believe there's probably a need for it and the direction is a good idea. What I don't like about it is the rentals. If everybody owned their own it might be a different situation. I really don't support it unless each one was

deeded property."

Templeman said a buffer zone between the park and the city's sewer lagoons, individual water meter hookups and a stricter set of rules were other areas of concern.

Farley said potential residents would be screened.

"I've seen it and our police department has seen it — a lot more problems exist at rentals," Templeman said. "But then again, we've got to have rentals. Personally, I would rather see a stick-built development."

In other business:

• The council approved hiring

J-U-B Engineers to work on the city's sewer system expansion and plans.

• Karen Gianchetta was given the requirements for a home occupation permit.

• The council approved high school student Ryan Gailey's public service project.

Times-News correspondent Mickey Brown can be reached at 543-6562.

FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

BURLEY — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Cassia County included:

Cassia County

Drunk-driving sentences

Mark John Healy, 32, 1551 Bird St., Benson, Ariz.; drunkard in commercial, \$1,000 fine, 12 months probation, 10 days jail with 20 suspended, one year's probation, six months' driver's license suspended, six months' credit; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Sterling Frank Adams, 19, 222 N. First E., Sterling; drunkard in commercial in inattentive driving, \$200 fine, \$62.50 court cost, six months' probation, Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Richard Martinez Vargas, 25, 3215 N. 300 E., Twin Falls; misdemeanor, \$200 fine, \$78.75 court cost, six days jail with 180 days probation; six months' probation, Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabb.

Shawn Lynn Gillette, 35, 539 N. 200 N., Rupert; two counts no account check fraud, \$10,000 fine, 12 months probation, 30 days jail on each count, 36 months' probation each count, \$18,000 restitution due victims, time served, driver's license suspended; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabb.

Arcall Hernandez, 22, 2211 21st St., Heyburn; forgery; pleaded guilty no disputed.

Felicity dismises

Stephen Day Cook, 32, 1551 Bird St., Heyburn; possession of controlled substance; District Judge Monte B. Carter.

Mark Marie Gerba, 36, 616 Third E., Payette; driving under the influence injury battery; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabb.

Tammy Ellen Wright, 22, 100 S. 190 E., Wanship, Utah; fraudulently obtained a forged check; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabb.

Felony sentencing

Jeffrey Paul Cook, 22, 1551 Bird St., Heyburn; possession of controlled substance intended to frequent place where a controlled substance is used, \$62.50 court cost, 24 months probation, 10 days jail.

Shawn Lynn Gillette, 35, 539 N. 200 N., Rupert; two counts no account check fraud, \$10,000 fine, 12 months probation each count, \$18,000 restitution due victims, time served, driver's license suspended; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabb.

Juvenile sentencing

Philip E. Cavazos, 17, 102 16th St., Rupert; driving under the influence age 21, \$300 fine, 12 months probation, 12 months' driver's license suspended; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Adult sentencing

Jeffrey Paul Cook, 22, 1551 Bird St., Heyburn; possession of controlled substance intended to frequent place where a controlled substance is used, \$62.50 court cost, 24 months probation, 10 days jail.

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Another target of criticism was the 9th Circuit, the nation's largest federal appellate court, which oversees federal courts in nine Western states.

Thursday's confirmations give the court 24 judges, out of 28 authorized, at least five short of the number needed for most of Clinton's administration.

Seventeen judges of the judges were appointed by Democratic presidents, including 11 by Clinton.

New judges add to Democratic majority on appellate court.

They were forced to wait for a brother maverick from the late 1970s when a Democratic-controlled Congress authorized more judges, who were appointed by President Jimmy Carter.

As other federal courts grew more conservative during the Reagan and Bush presidencies, the 9th Circuit became conspicuous for its ideology.

The rulings were overturned by the Supreme Court at a rate far above the national average for at least a decade, starting in the 1980s.

The high court reversed 28 of the 9th Circuit rulings, it considered in 1996-97, including one that would have established a constitutional right to die.

In recent years, about two-thirds of all circuit court rulings considered by the high court are overturned.

Democratic cases have been a particular subject of conflict, including a 1992 California case in which the Supreme Court lifted four stays of execution in a single night and finally told the appeals court to back off.

Senators from the Pacific Northwest, angered by environmental rulings, have tried for two decades to break up the circuit and lop off California.

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Plan calls for cutting county health-care bills with tobacco receipts

BOISE (AP) — Tax relief fever is touching distribution of the initial earnings on the state's tobacco settlement trust fund.

Legislative budget writers on Friday approved a \$2.3 million package of health advocacy programs proposed by the House Health and Welfare Committee that earmarks \$735,000 to reduce county property tax spending on health care and people with tobacco-related ailments.

"If the counties take advantage of this, they may well be able to reduce levies, and we ought to encourage that," Republican Sen. Stan Hawkins of Ucon told the rest of the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee.

But the amount is so small — just a fraction of the millions and millions of dollars counties spend on individual health care each year — that most lawmakers agreed the subsidy from the tobacco trust fund would not lower taxes for Idaho property owners.

The committee also turned back attempts to stray from its bare-bones budget target that accommodates the House-passed \$41-million election-year tax cut. It rejected an attempt by Democratic Rep. Ken Robison of Boise to sweeten the college and university budget with \$2 million to help close the gap between faculty salaries at Idaho schools and those at equivalent institutions elsewhere in the West.

Instead, the committee used some earnings from the endow-



More from Boise - A1, A6

ment fund to replace limited general tax money and reduced esti-

mates for other expenses, trimming \$1.2 million from Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's proposed general tax commitment-to-the-four-schools. That reflected the increase from more than 7 percent to 6.4 percent over the \$202 million the state funneled to the University of Idaho, Idaho State University, Boise State University and Lewis-Clark State College this year.

Adoption of that alternative prompted Robison to drop his

proposed prohibition on student fee increases for the next school year. Skeptics of the pending budget process have periodically warned that skipping on higher education support only adds to the obligation to students already owing huge tuition debts.

"This committee ought to be budgeting on the needs of the agencies and not some predetermined target," a frustrated Robison complained.

Bur. Service/Edu. Comm. — Assembly Party Chairman Steve Bremner said what was being done in the legislature to implement the tobacco trust fund was "a good start" to getting people to stop smoking and to implement an anti-smoking advertising. Rep. Randy Hansen, R-Twin Falls, said it will be matched by television and other media around the state. Hansen said the importance of antismoking campaigns cannot be overstated when the tobacco-industry plans to spend \$3 billion on antismoking

advertising in the United States. The plan includes \$500,000 for public service announcements for anti-smoking advertising, Rep. Randy Hansen, R-Twin Falls, said it will be matched by television and other media around the state. Hansen said the importance of antismoking campaigns cannot be overstated when the tobacco-industry plans to spend \$3 billion on antismoking

Congress plans hearings on INEEL plant

The Associated Press

U.S. Sen. Craig Thomas, R-Wyo., plans to convene a March 28 congressional hearing on the potential for a proposed Idaho nuclear waste incinerator to endanger Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks.

Thomas, chairman of the Subcommittee on National Parks, said the meeting will give the U.S. Department of Energy a chance to propose alternatives to the burner at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory near Idaho Falls.

The Keel Yellowstone Nuclear Free group has said the department partly on grounds that Wyoming was excluded from the public comment process. Some residents fear the incinerator would send dangerous emissions into northern Wyoming.

Thomas said he has been pushing the department for alternatives for several months.

This week, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said his agency would decide within 30 days whether to proceed with the incinerator.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

Completes for Friday Introduced in Senate

SCR162 (State Affairs) — Directs the state insurance commissioner to contract an independent study of uninsured and underinsured Idaho women.

Introduced in House

HCR48 (State Affairs) — Authorizes an interim committee to develop a comprehensive plan for using tobacco settlement funds.

HB729 (Revenue and Taxation) — Allows a fire district to increase its budget when an otherwise exempt public entity's assessments to be included within the district.

HB730 (State Affairs) — Creates the state horse racing advisory committee and moves the responsibilities of the current racing commission to the Lottery Commission.

HB731 (State Affairs) — Requires the Racing Commission to provide an annual report to the Legislature distributed by law as part of its annual report.

HB732 (State Affairs) — Allows the Department of Water Resources director to set conditions for approval for any sale, transfer, lease or transfer of electric utility involving water rights.

HB733 (State Affairs) — Eliminates the requirement for two years of live horse racing before a track can obtain a license to simulcast races.

HB734 (State Affairs) — Changes the distribution of funds from the simulcast racing fees.

HB735 (Appropriations) — Appropriates almost \$5.8 million to the Department of Insurance for the budget year that begins July 1.

HB736 (Appropriations) — Appropriates more than \$20 million to the Division of Building Safety for the budget year that begins July 1.

HB737 (Appropriations) — Appropriates almost \$2.5 million to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the budget year that begins July 1.

HB738 (Appropriations) — Appropriates more than \$8.6 million to the Division of Building Safety for the budget year that begins July 1.

HB739 (Appropriations) — Appropriates almost \$2 million to the attorney general for the budget year that begins July 1.

Should Congress cut fuel taxes to blunt oil prices?

Yes

Don't sit and wait for OPEC

PETE SEPP

If politicians could re-write the Webster's Dictionary, they'd probably define the adjective "complex" as "a way to describe a problem with an obvious solution we'd rather not try." So it is with the current explosion in fuel prices. Politicians' "complex" or "complicated" problems need to be addressed, such as relations with the OPEC oil-producing cartel, or exploration in environmentally sensitive areas, or even the resurrection of costly old federal schemes to produce synthetic fuels. But the most direct and yet untried path toward resolving the problem is clear - and wide enough to carry a fleet of 18-wheelers why not cut federal fuel taxes by 10 cents?

More than many industrialized nations, American commerce depends upon stable transportation costs, especially for roads. Although some say that energy policies are solely to blame for current and past price swings, a more responsible culprit has actually been tax policies.

Pre-tax fuel prices often fluctuate up or down during any given period, but over time, fuel prices have been moving steadily upward for at least two decades.

From 1990 through 1999, the pre-tax pump price of gasoline barely changed from 88 cents per gallon in 1990 to 86 cents as of last November.

Over that same period, state and federal gasoline taxes rose by more than half, from 27 cents per gallon to 43 cents. This imbalance aside, there were other reasons to cut fuel taxes.

The 1993 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act created a new 4.3-cent-per-gallon fuel surtax for "deficit reduction." This tax has continued, despite the fact that the federal budget is now in surplus, and will probably remain so for at least the next ten years.

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The Congressional Budget

Office estimates that this year's "on-budget" surplus (not counting the so-called "Social Security surplus") will total \$23 billion. With \$3.3 billion in fuel taxes already taken off the Highway Trust Fund this year, slashing the 18.4-cent gas tax and the 24.3-cent diesel tax by 10 cents won't imperil any current programs and won't consume any funds set aside for Social Security reform.

A recent study by the Tax Foundation shows that excise taxes are five times more burdensome for lower-income households than they are for wealthy households. By cutting fuel excises, both Bill Clinton and his "compassionate conservative" critics in Congress could take credit for a tax cut that particularly helps low- and middle-income Americans.

A few critics, among them self-interested road builders, argue that cutting fuel taxes would starve the Highway Trust Fund of money it needs for road improvements and "cost jobs." But Congress could easily replace the "lost" revenues by simply appropriating part of the budget surplus into the Trust Fund. And, the notion that lightening the load on the private sec-

tor "costs jobs" seems silly to leaders like Connecticut Gov. John Rowland, whose grateful constituents will prosper if his proposal to cut state gas taxes becomes law.

Consequently, the president should work on top-to-bottom reform of our Byzantine Tax Code. And, a new transportation-funding system that relies on private construction and local user fees should eventually replace the current patchwork of subsidies and ill-targeted excises. But until then, elected officials can still show they give more than a

No

Safety, job cuts would follow

PETE RUANE

pend the 24-cents-per-gallon federal diesel motor fuels excise user fee.

The National Taxpayers Union went further suggesting an "across-the-board" 10 cents-per-gallon reduction in all federal highway user fees.

Reducing the federal motor fuels excises would have the per-

verse effect of

retarding road safety and efficiency improvements that benefit truckers and the general motoring public alike. It would also rob the nation of air quality benefits that come from less congested and well-maintained highways. Both proposals are simply bad public policy.

Rolling back the federal excise would also eliminate 638,000 American jobs and reduce state and local government investment in highway construction programs.

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HIT Highway. Federal law earmarks this revenue to surface transportation improvements.

Just 22 months ago, Congress voted to boost highway and mass transit investment by 44 percent to begin addressing long-overdue capital and safety needs.

The ARTBA analysis shows California would lose the largest amount of money under Sen. Campbell's bill. Other states' highway improvement programs would also be hit: Texas (\$554 million), Pennsylvania (\$419 million), New York (\$390 million), Florida (\$344 million), Ohio (\$363 million), Michigan (\$256 million), and New Jersey (\$223 million).

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Over the last 50 years, every \$1 billion invested by the public in government-financed road infrastructure has saved an average 1,400 preventable deaths and nearly 50,000 injuries. This has saved American society over \$2 billion on health care, insurance, lost wages and productivity costs. The tax cut proposals would jeopardize this public health return from investment in transportation.

If the federal motor fuels

excise is reduced, truckers will face increased risks on the interstate highway system as travel day.

With their reduced weight, highways will become more congested and less safe for everyone.

Pete Ruane is president and chief executive officer of the Washington-based American Road & Transportation Builders Association, which represents the U.S. transportation construction industry.

One down, one to go for Bush

Amazing. Even after George W. Bush crushed John McCain from coast to coast, today's some of the deep thinkers on television were saying that McCain would have had a better chance of defeating Al Gore in the general election.

McCain didn't even finish ahead of Bush in California's come-one, come-all open primary that put all the candidates on the same ballot. Bush was a strong second to Gore in that race, which was impressive when you consider that the vice president has spent more time convincing Californians than McCain about courting start-ups in his bachelor days.

Bush will be competitive in the state that launched Ronald Reagan's political career. It's even possible -- and remember, you read it here first -- that Bush could snatch California's 54 electoral votes in November.

Voters in the Golden State this week barely gave McCain a second look.

McCain's "electability" is just one of several myths conjured up by reporters and pundits who became infatuated with the Arizona senator on the basis of what, exactly? His biography and his willingness to shoot off his mouth all day long?

Fortunately, voters are not so readily swept off their feet by media-concocted "phenomenons" who owe their existence to little more than worshipful press coverage and fluke wins in non-typical primaries.

From "sea to shining sea," to borrow a phrase from Bush's victory speech,

BILL THOMPSON

Republicans preferred Bush as their standard-bearer in the race against Gore -- and no amount of wishful thinking by McCain and his boosters in the media could derail the Texas governor's nationwide bandwagon.

The McCain "surge" was fiction.

McCain's campaign served a useful purpose, though. It forced Bush to stop jogging and start running. It forced him to ask himself if being president wanted something that he really wanted to do, and if winning was really important to him.

"We were challenged -- and we met the challenge," Bush said Tuesday night. "We were tested -- and we were equal to the test.... Republicans and conservatives from across all America have said they want me to lead the Republican Party to victory come November, and I ready and I am eager to do so."

In shooting off McCain, Bush showcased his resolve and his resourcefulness. He also acquired valuable experience in dealing with an opponent who is boosted and bolstered by the sympathetic bias of the media -- the very same situation he will encounter as he takes on Gore.

Anyone who is naive enough to imagine that Bush will get a fair shake from the media should consider what happened during the primary season.

When Bush criticized McCain, the

front-runner was savaged by the media for "going negative." When Gore -- much earlier -- hit Bradley -- oftentimes with accusations that were patently false or at best grossly misleading -- the media criticized "Bradley" for his libelous response to Gore's criticism.

Bush might have been caught off guard when he suddenly found himself fighting off an opponent and a hostile media in the Republican primaries. But he won't be surprised by the two-front battle that awaits him in the next phase of the campaign.

I predict that Bush will be equal to the test.

Gore is already in November attack mode, relentlessly and distractingly running Bush's tax-cut plan as a "risky tax scheme" and offering up an outrageously disingenuous proposal to force TV advertising throughout the campaign.

Given his druthers, Bush would much rather talk about ideas and issues than splash around in the mud with Gore. But Bush won't let Gore push him around; he won't make the mistake that Bradley made by turning the other cheek to Gore's unfair attacks.

The pundits are saying that the country needs to psych itself up for a mean-spirited, negative campaign.

OK. But here's a question for the pundits: Will your definitions of "mean-spirited" and "negative" be the same for both candidates?

Bill Thompson is a columnist for the Fort Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram.

LETTERS

Butch Otter, breach the dams

Lt. Gov. Butch Otter isn't the man for Congress. What we need is a man that can fish, not cut bait.

Butch Otter ain't no fool in real life. The removing of the Lower Snake River dams is the only solution left that will restore fish. He knows this.

Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber spoke out in favor of breaching the dams. The salmon can't wait. There aren't any left to wait. Butch taking water from agriculture won't restore fish. The dams are the problem.

Conditions are the same in the first year they let the first drop of water over them. The salmon kill that year was 6 million by a conservative count at Dworshak. By 1970, 50 percent of the salmon fish were killed. In Clearwater drainage, A \$50 million hatchery did not work; they started trucking what was left. The Army Corps of Engineers has been trying everything.

Idaho will not be hurt in any way if the dams are removed. Those dams took 50,000 acres of winter elk habitat and all kinds of wildlife. I'm too old to work, Butch. Every barge on the river puts 25 men out of work. The farmers don't get a nickel more for the commodities. Cargill pockets the savings.

I cannot see a negative in this case. My kids will be fine. Besides, I've been a fisherman all my life. Our forefathers did it wrong. It's up to you and me to get them back in good graces.

R.J. (BARNEY) ROWLAND
Hagerman

McCain is the true conservative

In the opinion of a lifelong registered Republican conservative, John McCain is the only way we can elect a conservative in November. I believe it is more representative of all the people than is just the small percent of super wealthy and oil-rich people that seem to buy the nomine of their choice.

I will not vote for George W. Bush, and most all people I know would rather vote for McCain as he is for campaign reform and reduced government spending and many other things that will benefit the average person, and he will also cut taxes as the circumstances will allow. On Feb. 1, Henry Kissinger said on Fox News, he believes John McCain is the best man to take the United States in the right direction, and he will support him all the way, and I don't believe there is anyone more knowledgeable about world affairs than Henry Kissinger.

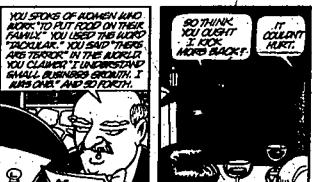
DAN PARK
Twin Falls

What gives with ambulance ticket?

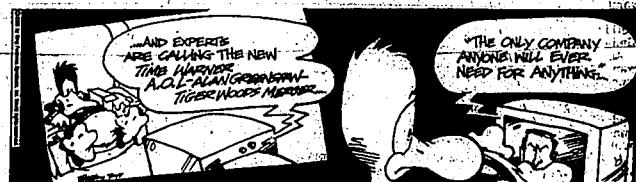
It has been my impression since youth (a very long time ago) that emergency vehicles always had the right of way. That being the case, why was Gary Russell, an ambulance driver, given a citation for failure to yield in the accident on Feb. 29? Enlighten us, please.

GERALDINE W. CURRY
Shoshone

Doonesbury



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

IDAHOWEST**Activists
worry
about park**

IDAHOWEST (AP) — Members of conservation groups who conducted a winter survey in Yellowstone National Park say snowmobilers are shattering the peace and quiet the area offers and are making it increasingly difficult to escape from noise.

"The results paint a sad picture of the state of Yellowstone in winter," said Tony Jewett, regional director for the National Parks and Conservation Association. "You cannot hear the natural sounds of whatever goes on going off because you're hearing the constant whine and roar of snowmobiles. It really did sound like the Indy 500 in the distance."

The noise could disappear if the Park Service decides to curtail snowmobile use, which has increased dramatically in the last three decades. And the Environmental Protection Agency has recommended banning snowmobiles as the only way to meet air quality standards.

The Park Service is compiling more than 23,000 comments on a "winter use" study, which proposed to plow one of the most popular snowmobiling stretches from West Yellowstone to Old Faithful.

A decision is expected in October.

The final plan may be different, but all of the alternatives emphasize that the machines need to be cleaner and quieter, said Marsha Karle, a spokeswoman for Yellowstone National Park.

Forty volunteers from the National Parks and Conservation Association and the Greater Yellowstone Coalition strapped on skis and snowshoes last month.

They went to 13 spots, located between a half-mile and 2.5 miles from the popular snowmobiling route from West Yellowstone to Old Faithful.

For 90 minutes during a four-hour period each weekend day, they marked down what sounds they could hear, such as coyotes barking, geysers erupting, waterfalls, bird calls and the wind in the trees.

The roar of snowmobiles interfered with the ability to hear those natural sounds more than 90 percent of the time at eight of the listening stations, according to survey results.

Fine's effect gives plant owner a scare

POCATELLO (AP) — The owner of a small plant that produces organic phosphate is being threatened with a \$174,000 state environmental fine that he fears will put him out of business.

"I think we're being persecuted," said John Hatfield, who runs Soda Springs Phosphate Inc. "We don't do anything wrong."

While the plant's fertilizer is certified organic with no chemicals used in the process, the state is concerned with air pollution from the facility.

Division of Environmental Quality regulators and their attorney, Keith Donghue, declined to comment because the case is pending.

The plant, which employs nine people, has twice offered to pay smaller amounts to settle the case, but the state has rejected both. Unless a settlement is reached, a trial on the dispute could begin by May.

John Reeve of Pocatello is an environmental engineer and consultant who has worked on projects for the plant since 1974.

He said a 1996 state permit imposed some operating conditions like additional dust-control that plant officials called impractical. They were not implemented.

In an updated permit issued last July, the Division of Environmental Quality did not add some of those requirements, including others. Many were nothing but complications for Hatfield, Reeve said.

Among other things, the state wants reports based on emissions monitoring at the plant.

John Hatfield is not accustomed to paperwork," Reeve said. "These things they wanted him to measure didn't help him much."

In some cases, he said, the state required daily emissions reports that Reeve acknowledged were never done.

New Idaho meth law brings conviction

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A jury has found its first criminal count of trial conviction for trafficking methamphetamine under a tougher state law passed by the Legislature last year.

Jurors found Elberteen Pearson-Anderson, 30, of Spirit Lake, guilty of trafficking by manufacturing the illegal drug.

A state law that went into

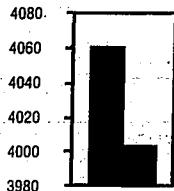
effect last July requires a mandatory five-year prison sentence for制造者. Defense attorney Jim Reiterson said, "The harshness of this case will act as a good deterrent, which is the purpose of the new law."

Anderson's husband, Gerald Anderson, 37, pleaded guilty to the same charge Monday. Both will be sentenced April 19.

Prosecutors are recommending a five-year sentence for Gerald Anderson and 10 years for his wife, Reiterson said. She has a criminal record and was on probation when the drug bust occurred, Reiterson said.

The two were arrested after police responded to an emergency call during a domestic dispute, Reiterson said.

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11:00 a.m. KEZI Radio Remote
11:00 a.m. Stroller Parade
11:30 p.m. Showtime USA:
Noon Baby Food Eating Contest
12:30 p.m. Big Kids and Babies
1:00 p.m. Crawling Derby/Toddler
Waddle
1:30 p.m. Infant CPR Demonstration
2:00 p.m. Curious George and the
Man in the Big Yellow Hat
2:30 p.m. Storytime with the Magic
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3:30 p.m. Children's
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4:00 p.m. Curious George and the
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4:30 p.m. Y.E.S. Team Puppets
5:00 p.m. Baby Food Eating Contest
5:30 p.m. Clown 'n' Ministry
6:00 p.m. Sing-a-long
6:30 p.m. Sidewalk Chalk Drawing
7:00 p.m. Rocky Top Cloggers
7:30 p.m. Daddies 'n' Diapers Contest

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Technical foul. It
was one of the
worst technicals
I've had and I've
had a few.

"

-Indiana University
basketball coach Bob Knight,
after picking up a technical
 foul midway through the first
half of the Hoosiers' 72-69
loss to Illinois on Friday in
the Big Ten tournament

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Women's college basketball

Big West tournament, at Reno, Nev.

Men's college basketball

Big Sky Tournament

Big West tournament, at Reno, Nev.

College baseball

CSI at Dixie College, noon (2)

College track

CSI at the Oregon Preview, Eugene, Ore.

Road racing

10th Annual St. Patrick's Run Walk, Malad Gorge St. Park, 10 a.m.

High school baseball

Ribby at Twin Falls, 11 a.m.

Madison at Jerome, 11 a.m.

Wood River at Mountain Home, noon

Idaho Falls, Skyline at Burley, 11 a.m.

Madison at Twin Falls, 2 p.m.

Skyline, Idaho Falls at Minico, 11 a.m.

High school tennis

Vallivue and Borah at Jerome, 10 a.m. 2pm.

Borah and Vallivue at Twin Falls, 10 a.m./2pm.

IN BRIEF

Serpa nabs ace on No. 4 at Muni

TWIN FALLS - Duane Serpa scored his first hole-in-one on the par-3 No. 4 hole on Monday. Witnesses included Bob Slater, Gary Roland and Eddie Allison.

Assistant referees' clinic is today

TWIN FALLS - An assistant soccer referees' clinic will be conducted today from 9:30 p.m. in the Evergreen Building, Room C74, on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

For more information, call John Jacobson at 734-3155.

Bullriding buckle series concludes tonight

GOODING - The final bullriding buckle series will be held tonight at 8 p.m. at the Gooding beef barn building located at the fairgrounds.

The buckle will be awarded to the winner at the conclusion of the event. It is also the final practice for bullriding in the facility. Entries for tonight's event will be taken until 3 p.m. For more information call 934-0939.

Youth bowling program offered in Rupert

RUPERT - Boys and girls in grades K-12 can register now for the Rupert Parks and Recreation Department bowling program. The six-week program costs \$25 and includes instruction, league play and awards. Deadline for registration is March 17. For more information, call 434-2400.

Softball tourney scheduled for April 8

BOISE - The second annual Boise Super Draft softball tournament begins April 8 with a three-game guarantee and costs \$30 per player.

To register or for more information, call (208) 334-2704.

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Marino says no to Vikings, will announce retirement

The Associated Press

DAVIE, Fla. - Dan Marino decided 420 touchdown passes are enough.

The most prolific passer in NFL history will announce his retirement Monday, ending a 17-year career with the Miami Dolphins, a source close to Marino said Friday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The Dolphins confirmed a news conference for Marino is scheduled for Monday. They declined further comment.

Marino, 38, badly wanted to go out like John Elway and retire as a Super Bowl champion. But after parting ways with the Dolphins, Marino reluctantly rejected an offer to play this year for the Minnesota Vikings.

Even though Marino turned the deal down because of his bad knees, his loyalty to the Dolphins and his unwillingness to be separated from his wife and five children for an extended time.

Minnesota coach Dennis Green, in Tampa for a meeting of the NFL competition committee, told the Sun-Tribune of Minneapolis that Marino called him Friday to say he planned to retire.

"We felt we had a good chance to convince Marino to join our

The end of a stellar career?

Dan Marino, the most prolific passer in NFL history, is expected to announce his retirement Monday after 17 seasons with the Miami Dolphins.

Here is a look at some of Marino's NFL passing records:

Most attempts	Most completions
1. Dan Marino 8,358	1. Marino 4,967
2. John Elway 7,250	2. Elway 4,123
3. Warren Moon 6,789	3. Moon 3,928

Most yards, season

1. Marino (1984)	5,084
2. Dan Fouts ('81, San Diego)	4,802
3. Marino ('88)	4,745

Highest rating, rookie

1. Marino ('83)	96.0
2. Greg Cook ('89, Cincinnati)	88.2
3. Charlie Connerly ('88, N.Y. Giants)	84.0

Fewest games to reach 200 TDS

1. Marino	89
2. Brett Favre	107
3. Warner Unitas	121

Most TDs, season

1. Marino ('84)	48
2. Fran Tarkenton	342
3. Elway	300

Ed Gaseau/A

Green did not return phone messages left at his hotel by The Associated Press.

Marino, who hasn't spoken publicly in nearly three weeks,

played golf Friday in a private charity event held by Greg Norman in Hobie Sound, Fla. Word of his decision to retire spread Thursday night while Marino was attending a Bruce Springsteen concert with his possible successor, Dolphins quarterback Damon Huard.

"To think that No. 13 won't be in that uniform, it's a sad day," said Miami sportscaster Joe Rose, who caught Marino's first touchdown pass in 1983. "I'm going to like everybody else of thinking 'One more year.' You don't want the magic to stop."

Receiver Lamar Thomas said the Dolphins will miss Marino.

"We all look up to him," Thomas said. "I was hoping he'd play another year. It sent chills up my spine playing with him, he's such a competitor."

Marino's place in history will be the subject of endless debates. Some of his records could last for decades, including NFL career marks for touchdowns, yardage (61,361) and completions (4,967). Yet Marino never won a Super Bowl. So where does he rank among quarterbacks?

"He should be No. 1, because he's got all the passing records,"

said Don Shula, his coach for 13 years. "Sure he would have loved to have gone out with a Super Bowl ring similar to Elway. That didn't happen. But you still look at one year career and he's done things no other quarterback has done."

Marino's relationship with the Dolphins soured in the final season. He was the target of unprecedent criticism from coach Jimmy Johnson, and they feuded as the team faded.

Marino played poorly in a 62-7 playoff loss at Jacksonville, the most lopsided defeat in franchise history. Johnson retired the next day, and new coach Dave Wannstedt hesitantly ducked questions about whether he wanted Marino back.

Marino voided his contract in February and became a free agent. When the Dolphins signed free agent quarterback Jay Fiedler to a three-year, \$3.8 million deal, it was apparent Marino had been passed over.

Fridays said Marino seemed about the way he was treated at the end, but he declined to complain in public.

"I've been a Dolphin for 17 years, and I'll be a Dolphin for the rest of my life," he said in February. "That will never change."

Dixie sweeps CSI Friday

The Times-News

ST. GEORGE, Utah - A lack of clutch hitting and solid Dixie College defense led to a doubleheader loss for the College of Southern Idaho baseball squad Friday, as the Golden Eagles fell 14-9 and 9-1 to the Rebels.

The sweep opened Scenic West Athletic Conference play for both schools as CSI fell 7-8 overall. Dixie improved to 18-12 overall.

"They batted really well," said CSI assistant coach Boomer Walker. "We're not hitting big hits when we get people on."

The Golden Eagles had their chances in Game 1, the best coming in the top of the seventh inning when Shawn Rudi drew a walk, was sacrificed to second base and ended up on third after a passed ball with only one out. But Chris Frazier struck out looking and Tyler Hulsebeck popped up to left field to end the game.

Dan Clements took the loss.

In Game 2, the Golden Eagles grabbed the early lead in the top of the fourth when Kevin Syroka singled and after stealing second, the catcher's throw went through second base and past the center fielder for the two-error run.

"But the wheels came off" in the bottom of the same inning when left fielder Chris Walker's apparent catch was ruled a bobble by the left field umpire. Second baseman Jamie Kissner and manager Jim Walker were both ejected after the call. Dixie went on to score five in the inning en route to a 9-1 final.

"Chris makes one heck of a catch when Jamie reacted and said something he shouldn't have," Boomer Walker said. "A second base hit, the old man gets kicked after it. Just kind of snowballed after that."

The Golden Eagles get two shots of revenge today when they'll throw Joey Clark and Josh Gold at the Rebels.

"They're a beatable team," Walker said, adding that Dixie will probably throw ace Brandon Lyon (4-0, 10.85 ERA) in one of the games.

Game 1: CSI 14, CSU 9; CSI 9, CSU 10. Game 2: CSI 14, CSU 9. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 3: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 4: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 5: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 6: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 7: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 8: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 9: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

Game 10: CSI 14, CSU 14; CSI 15, CSU 13. Both games were played at the Golden Eagles' home field in St. George.

ALLEY-OOP!



BRUCE SWINN/ The Times-News

Jerome's Shane Thompson strains to clear the bar in the high jump at a meet at Twin Falls High School on Friday.

Bruins, Tigers rule opener

By Vic Cappelillo
The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - After he and three relay-mates had won the 4x400-meter relay Friday at Bruin Stadium, Twin Falls' anchor leg Orlin Clemens pretty much summed up what most track and field athletes coaches and fans were thinking.

"It's just a come-out and run again," said the Bruin junior, who also anchored Twin Falls' winning 4x200-meter relay and won both hurdle events.

"I'm happy as can be."

Friday's seven-team meet kicked off at the high school track and field season. The Bruins' 113 points were good enough for second place

behind Highland's 120. Following Twin Falls were Century (83), Jerome (75), Burley (74), Pocatello (70), and Mountain Home (68).

The Twin Falls girls edged defending state A-1 champion Jerome 134-129, followed by Highland (77), Minico (64), Burley (56), Century (27) and Pocatello (13).

Highland, which had the boys' team race won going into the finale, got a stellar performance out distance specialist Morgan Anderson, who won the 1,600 minutes, eight-tenths, 1:46.00 (4:38.7), 3,200 (10:07) and brought the Rams from fourth to first in the medley with a 2:01 800-meter split.

Clemens, who also said "just to

get the first-meet jitters out felt good," and Anderson were the only quadruple winners, but there were a number of notable performances, including:

Jerome's Kristin Schneiderveld, who was 5:34.7 in the 1,600, puts her four seconds ahead of last season at this time and 11:54.3 in the 3,200, which is 10 seconds better.

The Lady Tigers' relay squads, which look tough as squids, Alicia and Melissa McLimore, teamed with Marjorie Bunnell and Sarah Lott won the 4x400 relay in an impressive early-season time.

Jerome also won the 4x100 relay in 53.3 seconds with a team of Kimmy Madsen, Cyria Warner,

Lott and Kendra West, and Madsen, Warner, Alisha McLimore and Emily Marshall took the medley in 2:02.2. Alicia McLimore also won the 100 (12.7), and Melissa McLimore took the 400 (1:01.6).

Bruiney's Christina Fonner, nee Schneiderveld, won the 100 meters, 11.0, and the 200 meters, 2:22.2. She placed first Friday with a leap of 5 feet, 2 inches, and she won the triple jump in 33 feet, 9 1/2 inches.

Bobcat Chris Belliston, also a Simplot Games medalist in the 60-meter dash, won both short sprints, winning the 100 in a record time of 10.85 and the 200 in 23.0.

• Twin Falls' Matt Anderson.
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with the teams' effort.

"We had a good showing our first state of the season," McMahan said. "We lost some seniors last year and our younger players improved enough to play at the varsity level."

Twin Falls displayed its strength Friday, winning 11-of-12 matches. Burley's lone win on the afternoon came in girls' second singles when senior Sanna Kittsaki overcame a one-set deficit to down sophomore Kara Atchison, 6-3, 6-3.

Twin Falls was without its No.

1 boys' singles player, Jordan Mark Pulley, on Friday. Pulley

was ineligible, due to no having

had enough practices. He will

look for his first victory of the season vs. Borah High School. Stoddard placed second in singles earlier in the year and is currently ranked No. 1 in the state; while Fuller is ranked in the top three.

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SPORTS

Twin Falls blanks Filer in high school boys' golf at Muni

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls golfer Brett Kleinkopf and Cory Nunnelly shared medalist honors with Filer's Nate Stinson on Friday. Their foursomes prevailed overall, downing the Wildcats 143-165 in boys' high school golf at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

No. 1 Twin Falls golfer shot over 40 as Michael Ericson carded a 36, Coleman Spaulding shot 37 and Marc Vedder hit a 38. Travis Holland and John Shetler had a pair of 41s for Filer.

Local sports

In the JV match, Twin Falls outshot the Wildcats 153-210.

Buhl's Popplewell best Nevada golfers

BUHL - Ty Popplewell's 80 was the low round of the day on Friday to lead the Buhl Indians past both Spring Creek, Nev., and Jackpot high schools.

Brent Bingham carded an 82 for the Indians. Scott Wurth shot 83 for Spring Creek and Roy Torero had a 90 to pace the Jaguars.

Thursday's late result
Skyview 321, Jerome 340

NAMPA - The Jerome boys' golf team lost a dual match with Skyview 321-340 Thursday at Ridgecrest Golf Course.

The Tigers' low scorer was senior Craig Morgan,

who shot an 80. Freshman Cory Bauer carded an 84, while senior Matt Sosnowski had an 87 and sophomore Justin Gott had an 89. Skyview's scores were 79-79-79-83-83.

"We've got to knock off 20 strokes if we want to compete," Jerome coach Dale Mays said. "Morgan's 80 wasn't too bad. I was pleased with Bauer's 84 - it was good for his first varsity match."

The Tigers will host a Tuesday tournament that will include Highland, Century and possibly Burley. Mowrer said.

Penn St. stuns No. 4 Buckeyes in Big Ten tourney

CHICAGO (AP) - Ohio State made the Final Four a year ago. On Friday, the Buckeyes couldn't get out of the Big Ten quarterfinals.

No. 10 Crispen scored seven points in the final 2:20 of the game to stun the top-seeded and No. 4 Buckeyes 71-66 - the Nitro Lions' first victory this season in 10 tries against ranked teams.

With Scoone Penn struggling, shooting just 3-of-16 and committing seven turnovers, the Buckeyes (22-6) suffered a loss that could cost them their top seed in the Big Ten tournament.

Jettens Stephens had 21 points and 12 rebounds for Penn State (15-14), which moves into today's semifinals against Illinois. Titus Ivory added 17 points and Joe Crispin had 13.

No. 5 Michigan State 75, Iowa 65

CHICAGO - Mateen Cleaves and Charlie Bell scored 11 of Michigan State's last 18 points as the Spartans withstood a furious effort from Denier Oliver and Iowa in the Big Ten tournament.

Bell finished with 16, and Cleaves had 14. Morris Peterson, the coaches' choice for Big Ten player of the year, led the Spartans (24-7) with 22 points. Michigan State will play the winner of Friday's late Wisconsin-Purdue game in today's semifinals.

Oliver had a career-high 30 points for Iowa (14-16).

No. 6 Temple 54, Massachusetts 47

PHILADELPHIA - Kevin Lyde scored 15 points and Mark Karcher added 10 points and five assists as Temple beat Massachusetts in the Atlantic 10 semifinals.

Temple (25-5), seeking its first A-10 tournament title since 1990, will play St. Bonaventure today. The Owls have won 16 of their last 17 games.

Monty Mack led the Minutemen (17-15) with 16 points.

Top 25 college basketball

No. 7 Iowa State 76, Baylor 64

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Marcus Fizer scored a Big 12 tournament-record 38 points as Iowa State beat Baylor 76-64.

Fizer broke the tournament record of 33 points set by Oklahoma's Corey Brewer against Missouri in 1997.

Steve Johnson had a tournament-record 16 rebounds for the Cyclones (27-4), who will face No. 17 Oklahoma State in the semifinals on Saturday.

D'Marcus Minor had 27 points for Baylor (14-15).

South Carolina 75, No. 8 Tennessee 68

ATLANTA - South Carolina pulled off a major upset in the Southeastern Conference tournament, getting a career-high 20 points from Jamie Bradley and defeating regular-season champion Tennessee.

Tennessee (24-6), which shared the SEC title with three other schools, failed to score in the final 4:23 after C.J. Black hit a hook shot to put the Volunteers ahead 68-67.

South Carolina (15-16), the fifth-place team from the SEC Eastern Division, will play Auburn in the semifinals.

Auburn had a career-high 30 points for Iowa (14-16).

No. 10 LSU 71, Vanderbilt 60

ATLANTA - Freshman Collis Temple III scored a season-high 20 points as LSU beat Vanderbilt in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Temple, the son of former LSU standout Collis Temple Jr., made 6-for-7 from 3-point range. LSU (26-4) will play the Arkansas-Kentucky winner in Saturday's semifinals.

Atiba Prater led Vanderbilt (19-10) with 16 points.

Auburn 78, No. 11 Florida 70

ATLANTA - Daymon Fishback had 21 points and a career-high 14 rebounds, leading Auburn to an upset victory over Florida in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Auburn (22-8) came through with an inspired performance after learning on its way to the Georgia Dome that Chris Palmer's college career was over for making \$2,500 on an agent's middleman.

Auburn plays South Carolina in the semifinals.

No. 13 Texas 78, Colorado 35

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Chris Mihm had 19 points and 15 rebounds, and Texas held Colorado to 18 percent shooting in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament.

Texas (23-7) advanced to play either No. 15 Oklahoma or Missouri in the semifinals today.

No. 14 Tulsa 93, TCU 71

FRESNO, Calif. - David Shelton, a sparkplug all reserve season for Tulsa, did it again Friday night as the Golden Hurricane captured a spot in the Western Athletic Conference title game.

Shelton scored 18 of his 24 points in the first half as Tulsa (29-3) beat TCU 93-71 in a tournament semifinal. Tulsa, the WAC regular-season champion, will face Fresno State or Hawaii in tonight's title game.

No. 17 Oklahoma St. 77, No. 24 Kansas 58

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Desmond Mason had 22 points and 12 rebounds as Oklahoma State beat Kansas, the Jayhawks' fourth straight loss in the first 10 minutes of the Big 12 tournament loss.

Frederick Jonzon and Joe Adkins each had 15 points for Oklahoma State (24-5). Gooden had 17 points for Kansas (23-8), which won the first three Big 12 tournaments.

No. 25 Illinois 72, No. 18 Indiana 69

CHICAGO - Cory Bradford hit a 3-pointer with 1.4 seconds left

as Illinois beat Indiana in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

Indiana's A.J. Guyton took a desperation heave at the buzzer, but it didn't get anywhere near the basket.

Erian Cook led the Illini (20-8) with 18 points, and Bradford finished with 12. Kirk Haston had 16 points for Indiana (20-8).

No. 19 St. John's 58, No. 23 Miami, Fla. 57

NEW YORK - St. John's prevailed in a final 7.6 seconds of free-throw shooting Friday night, beating Miami 58-57 and advancing to a rematch of last year's Big East tournament championship of the Big 12 tournament.

Anthony Glover, a 61 percent free-throw shooter who was 3-for-8 in the game, made two free foul shots with 1.2 seconds left, giving the third-seeded Red Storm (23-7) a 58-57 lead.

No. 20 Maryland 82, Florida St. 61

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - Lonny Baxter had 24 points and 10 rebounds as Maryland beat Florida State to advance to the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament semifinals for the sixth straight year.

Terence Morris added 17 points for the Terrapins (23-8), and Juan Dixon had 12 points, eight assists and three steals. Matt Cheblek led Florida State (12-17) with 11 points.

No. 21 Connecticut 70, Georgetown 55

NEW YORK - Connecticut earned a shot at an unprecedented third straight Big East tournament title when the Huskies won eight Southwest Conference crowns from 1983-90.

Okeisha Howard and Sharren Francis led Old Dominion with 16 points each. Rosalyn Canady led East Carolina (15-14) with 20 points.

ship game after playing on the tournament's opening day.

Women's games

No. 3 Louisiana Tech 91, Arkansas St. 81

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. - Betty Lemoux had 28 points and Catrina Pender added 19 as Louisiana Tech off Arizona State in the Sun Belt tournament semifinals.

The top-seeded Lady Techsters (27-2) will meet second-seeded Western Kentucky or third-seeded Florida International in the championship game Saturday.

Julie Haggard had a tournament-record 32 points for Arkansas State (18-11).

No. 9 UCSD 80, Pacific 68

RENO, Nev. - Stacy Clinefield scored 19 points and Kristi Rohr had 16 as No. 9 UC Santa Barbara beat Pacific 80-68 on Friday to advance to the Big West Conference tournament game.

The Gauchos (29-3) extended the nation's longest winning streak to 25.

Santa Barbara, which has won 50 straight against Big West opponents, will play Long Beach State in the final today.

No. 14 Old Dominion 89, East Carolina 60

RICHMOND, Va. - Natalie Diaz scored 14 points as Old Dominion beat East Carolina for its 101st consecutive victory against Colonial Athletic Association foes.

The Lady Monarchs (26-4) moved within one victory of setting an NCAA record with nine straight conference tournament titles. They last won eight Southwest Conference crowns from 1983-90.

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Shocked Cincinnati moves on without Martin

CINCINNATI (AP) - Kenyon Martin had a screw placed in his lower leg Friday and got optimistic news from doctors: A full recovery is expected.

It's not true for his Cincinnati teammates.

The nation's top-ranked team returned to a downtown campus Friday after two devastating losses in the Conference USA tournament.

Martin, a leading candidate for player of the year, cracked the small bone in his lower right leg and tore ankle ligaments in the opening minutes of a 58-58 loss to Saint Louis on Thursday.

The Bearcats (28-3) will lose the top spot in the poll and almost certainly all of No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament, the thing they're playing for most.

They also lost their leading scorer, leading rebounder and on-court leader in Martin, who won't be able to do anything more than cheer from the sidelines.

"He's going to be fine, and we're going to be fine," coach Bob Huggins told a crowd of about 100 fans on hand for the team's return from Memphis, Tenn., on Friday. "I think our guys were kind of shocked yesterday."

"We had a meeting last night. They were a little lost and they're going to be a whole lot better today."

The overriding question was whether Martin will be able to overcome the unusual injury that ended his senior season and clouded his NBA future.

Martin's right foot was planted on the court as he set a pick and fell to his left, twisting the ankle awkwardly. He tore ligaments on the inside of the right ankle and cracked the fibula near the knee.

Angelino Losimo, the team's outside sports surgeon, inserted a screw in the two bones above the ankle to stabilize the lower leg. He said the ligaments and the fracture should heal completely.

Pacers 95, Cavaliers 92

CLEVELAND - Reggie Miller scored 21 of his 28 points in the second half and made three huge free throws with 42.3 seconds remaining.

Mark Jackson made a short hook in the lane with 8.7 seconds left as the Pacers, coming off a draining overtime win against Portland on Thursday, held on for their fourth straight win.

Cleveland had two chances to tie in the closing moments, but both Andre Miller and Shawn Kemp were way off the mark on 3-pointers.

Nets 108, Bucks 80

MILWAUKEE - Scott Burrell scored 19 points, Kerry Kittles 16 and Kendall Gill 15 as New Jersey sent the Bucks to their 12th loss in 15 games.

Miller sank five free throws under 500 (29-33) for the first time since the season began.

The Bucks got on the board first in the final period on Ray Allen's basket, but that served only to narrow the Nets' lead to 82-64. New Jersey responded with a 3-pointer by Burrell and Milwaukee was finished.

Knicks 82, 76ers 77

PHILADELPHIA - Patrick Ewing had 19 points and 12 rebounds, 21 assists and hit the game-winning basket with 24.6 seconds left.

Ewing, using his patented low-way jumper, sank the game-winner with one second left on the shot clock. Allen Iverson then tried to pass out of a double-team, and Latrell Sprewell stole the ball when the pass was tipped. He made two free throws with 11.6 seconds left to seal the victory.

Larry Johnson and Allen Houston had 14 points each and Sprewell, Kurt Thomas and John Wallace all had 10 for New York, which broke a four-game road losing streak.

Celtics 104, Bulls 74

BOSTON - Kenny Anderson scored 16 points, Paul Pierce added 15 and the Celtics won their third straight game - one short of their longest winning streak of the season.

It's the largest margin of victory this season for the Celts.

Eliot Brand scored 18 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead the Bulls. Randy Bass added 15 points.

Boston, which had a four-game winning streak in mid-January, scored 32 points in 28 Chicago turnovers. It was the 10th loss in 14 games for Chicago.



Utah Jazz forward Karl Malone pulls down a rebound in front during the first quarter of Friday's game against the Sacramento Kings in Phoenix.

Clark's dunk and James Posey's free throw drew Denver within five, but Jamal Mashburn, who scored 23 points, hit a huge 3-pointer to give the Heat a more secure 96-88 lead with 2:36 remaining.

Heat 96, Nuggets 88

MIAMI - Alonzo Mourning had 28 points, 10 rebounds and six blocked shots as Miami extended its home winning streak to 11 games.

P.J. Brown, who scored 16 of his 18 points in the second half, scored four points during an 11-2 run to turn a 79-79 tie into a 90-81 Heat lead with 6:26 left.

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SPORTS



Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, follows the flight of his solo home run in the 6th inning of a spring training game against the Montreal Expos in Jupiter, Fla., Friday.

McGwire cracks first tater of spring

The Associated Press

Mark McGwire, playing his ninth game of the spring, finally hit his first home run.

McGwire, who has hit 135 the last two seasons, connected in the sixth inning Friday off Ugueth Urbina as the St. Louis Cardinals lost to a Montreal Expos' split squad 5-3 in Jupiter, Fla.

His towering drive to left was his first homer in 14 spring at-bats.

"The ball was up in the air and the wind blew it out," McGwire said. "That's the only way you can explain it."

McGwire also had an RBI double off the center-field wall in the third off Hideki Irabu. He's 5-for-14 with four RBIs, but has rarely gotten the ball in the air. Not that he's worried about that, either.

"I know when I have to be ready. I do this one too long," he said. "These are questions you should ask a rookie."

In Tampa, Fla., George Steinbrenner finally saw his New York Yankees win.

Roger Clemens allowed one run in four innings, and Paul O'Neill and Tino Martinez hit first-inning homers as the

Spring training

Yankees beat the Philadelphia Phillies 6-2 in a split-squad game.

"Hopefully it's starting to come together," Yankee manager Joe Torre said.

Steinbrenner had watched all seven Yankees' losses this spring, and had missed the their only other win, Wednesday over Boston in Fort Myers.

O'Neill hit a solo homer and Martinez added a two-run shot off Randy Wolf as New York took a 3-0 lead.

In Kissimmee, Fla., Bobby Bonilla connected against his former team, a two-run triple off Greg Gifford in the ninth inning of their all-star Braves' 7-2 loss to a Mets split squad.

New York released Bonilla during the offseason after a controversial 1999 season in which he confronted manager Bobby Valentine, then reportedly played cards in the clubhouse as the Mets played the final innings of Game 6 of the NL championship series at Atlanta.

Eduardo Alfonso and Jorge Toca each hit two-run homers, Easley

and four Mets pitchers combined on a two-hitter.

In Winter Haven, Fla., Jim Thome, Richie Sexson and David Justice homered off John Burkett in a four-pitch span during the sixth inning.

On other games:

Astros 7, Dodgers 4

At Kissimmee, Fla., Gary Sheffield hit a first-inning home run off his uncle, Dwight Gooden. Matt Mieske hit a three-run double off Terry Adams in a five-run seventh as the Astros improved to 7-1, the best spring training record in the majors. The Dodgers had the worst mark at 1-9.

Mets 7, Expos 2

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Bobby J. Jones gave up one hit in four innings, four days after he lasted just nine batters against the Expos, allowing seven earned runs and six hits.

Phillies 12, Pirates 8

At Bradenton, Fla., Scott Rolen and Pat Burrell each homered, had three hits and drove in three runs.

Tigers 12 Royals 9

At Lakeland, Fla., Damion Easley hit a three-run homer and finished with four RBIs. Easley

and Juan Encarnacion both homered in a six-run second, helping the Tigers open an 8-1 lead. Kansas City made five errors.

Rangers 9, Blue Jays 5

At Port Charlotte, Fla., former Blue Jay Tom Evans hit a grand slam in a five-inning second inning. Toronto starter Nelson Rodriguez was tagged for five runs and four hits in two innings.

Giants 12, Brewers 8

At Scottsdale, Ariz., Jay Canizaro homered twice and drove in four runs. Marvin Benard and Ramon Martinez also homered for the Giants.

Diamondbacks 7, White Sox 6

At Tucson, Ariz., Harley Frias drove in two runs with a two-out double down the left-field line in the ninth.

Padres 4, Angels 3

At Peoria, Ariz., John Roskos job, hit a two-out, two-run double in the seventh inning and then scored on Ryan Radmanovich's double.

Angels 9, Padres 5

At Tempe, Ariz., Troy Percival made his first appearance since shoulder surgery Oct. 21, starting and throwing just eight pitches while working a perfect inning.

Padres 11, Indians 6

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Jarrett nips Earnhardt Jr. to pick up Atlanta pole

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — Dale Jarrett came up with his second pole of the season Friday, barely keeping rookie Dale Earnhardt Jr. from winning the first of his career.

Jarrett's fast lap of 192.574 mph gave the defending Winston Cup champion the top spot in the lineup for Sunday's Cracker Barrel 500 at Motor Speedway and put a Robert Yates Racing Ford on the pole for the third time.

in four races so far this season.

"We didn't have a very good car when we got here, but we kept improving it and that built my confidence up."

— Dale Jarrett,
NASCAR driver

truck."

Steve Park, Earnhardt Jr.'s teammate at Dale Earnhardt Inc., was third at 192.220, followed by Matt Kenseth, another rookie, at 192.140, and Kevin Lepage at 192.060.

Hendrick Motorsports teammates Jerry Nadeau and Jeff Gordon, the defending champion, were next at 192.060 and 191.947, respectively. Rounding out the top 10 were Joe Nemechek at 191.661, rookie Dave Blaney at 191.417 and Bill Elliott at 191.311.

The top 25 qualifiers Friday locked in starting spots in the 43rd annual race, and another round of time trials start Friday.

A lot of attention was on the Chevrolets Friday, the first time for them on track since NASCAR notified them of a modification allowing up to 2 more inches for the front air dams on the new Monte Carlos.

Ford and Chevy shared both the front row and the second row, with a total of five Monte Carlos, four Fords and one Pontiac in the top 10.

It was the ninth pole of Jarrett's career.

"We didn't have a very good car when we got here, but we kept improving it and that built my confidence up," Jarrett said.

Asked to explain the fact he already has two poles this season after failing to win any during his championship year, Jarrett said, "Good race cars and good engines. We came close a couple of times last year."

Most of the excitement in Friday's qualifying was played for about 90 minutes as rain showers — came when the 25 drivers of Earnhardt put up a lap of 192.333 that appeared to be all but unbeatable.

"I thought for a while we might have it," said the son of seven-time series champion Dale Earnhardt. "But the outside of the front row isn't too bad. We're still ahead of our race set-ups and qualifying I think has helped us finish better than our car actually has shown."

The youngster, who will be

Lukas has Derby contenders here, there and everywhere

The Associated Press

Everywhere you turn this weekend, Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas has a 3-year-old in a Kentucky Derby pre-party.

Look to Gulfstream Park today, and there's favored High Yield in the Florida Derby and long shot Sun Cat in the Swalees. At the Fair Grounds in New Orleans, there's Exchange Rate in the Sunday's Louisiana Derby. November Slew and Shawnee Country are in today's Fair Grounds Oaks.

On Saturday, California, and Lukas sends his sensational Fly Surfaide in Sunday's Santa Anita Oaks and True Confidence in today's El Camino Derby at Bay Meadows.

Lukas, though, can't be everywhere, so he plans to watch High Yield in the Florida Derby, then fly to California to saddle Sunbird on Sunday.

And when the weekend is over, Lukas will have a better feel for who will be along with him to the Kentucky Derby.

"It's a little too early to see where this will lead us," Lukas cautions. "We'll just race and see where it takes us."

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Doug Swingley of Lincoln, Mont., left, shares the seven-course gourmet meal he was cooked for being the first Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race musher to arrive in Ruby, Alaska, with musher Joe Runyan, right, on Friday. Runyan shared his meal in the Yukon River village with Swingley in his rookie year in the race when the two pushed into Ruby for their 24-hour mandatory layover in 1992.

Swingley leads Iditarod at halfway point

RUBY, Alaska (AP) — Defending champion Doug Swingley was into his isolated village on Friday night en route to the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race prepare for a 150-mile run down the frozen surface of the Yukon River.

Swingley, from Lincoln, Mont., arrived at 9:05 a.m. (AST). He

passed three other veteran mushers on the 112-mile run from the Gold Rush ghost town of Cripple to Ruby. That included three-time champion John Bear of Denali Park, Charlie Boddington of Manley and Ramy Brooks of

Healy. All had left Cripple before Swingley completed his 24-hour layover.

Swingley was first into Cripple on Wednesday, earning the half-way prize of \$3,000 in gold nuggets. Friday night, Swingley also earned a gourmet dinner for being first to the Yukon River.

Ruby is 497 miles from the finish line at Nome.

Swingley said his race was going according to plan, and he actually arrived in Cripple an hour earlier than expected Wednesday night.

"My confidence keeps building

every time I run them," Swingley said of his 12-dog team. "They just keep getting better and better."

Fellow front-runners Martin Buser and Rick Swenson, who had won the race eight times between them, echoed Swingley in praising their dogs.

Swenson, from Two Rivers, said he was shaken and got slightly off his schedule when a dog on his team was hurt in a collision with a tree on the Rohner checkpoint.

The dog suffered a severe neck injury when the team was spooked by two people going

down the trail near the check-point, vets there said. The team swerved, forcing the wheel dog into a tree. The dog, Toby, was treated at the checkpoint, then flown to Anchorage, where it was under veterinary care.

"It really hurt because he was a really good dog. He just loved being out on the Iditarod," Swenson said. "Thank God those vets were there to save him."

Eighty-one mushers began the race, which had its ceremonial start at Anchorage on March 4. Two mushers have scratched, leaving 79 teams still on the trail.

Baylor sprinter sets collegiate mark in 400-meter

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Brandon Couts, the Big 12 Conference champion in the 400-meter dash, set a school record Friday night, smashing the college indoor 400-meter record.

Couts' time shattered the record of 45.66 by George Mason's Greg Haughton in 1995.

It also erased the record of 45.69 by Oklahoma's Robert Marion in 1992.

In posting the second-fastest time in the world this year — behind only U.S. champion James Davis' 45.54 — Couts led the advance into Saturday's final.

"I've got to get a ride under my belt," Couts said. "The first year I

lost on time" when he won his heat but finished second in the twoheat final in 1998, "and last year I just got beat" as he finished sixth.

"Now I'm just trying to run fast."

The defending champion, Ato Modibo of Clemson, finished last in his heat and failed to advance.

Meanwhile, ... Texas' Mark Boswell, last year's NCAA indoor and outdoor champion in the men's high jump, won his third college title, clearing 7 feet, 7.75 inches, breaking his Canadian school and Big 12 records of 7.65.

Boswell, the silver medalist in last year's World Outdoor

Championships and the Pan Am Games gold medalist, then took one jump at a collegiate record and 2000 world best of 7-10. After missing at that height, he passed his first two attempts.

"I just wanted to see where my timing was," Boswell said about stopping after the one jump at 7-10.

Until that point, he had tried four heights and cleared each on his first try.

Emotional Florence Ezech of SMU saved her best for last, winning the women's 20-pound weight throw on the final attempt.

"If I don't get it, I break the stadium," the tearful, jubilant Ezech said after her big throw enabled her to overtake UCLA's Seilaia

Sua, who was leading at 69-0.

After Sua, the NCAA outdoor shot put and discus champion, got off her career-best throw in round five, Ezech said, "My power came back. I said I can't be second again."

Wyoming's Robin Lyons, the long jump college thrower coming into the meet, finished third at 67-11.5.

The weight throw was the first of 14 finals contested Friday. It also was the only one not held at the new Randall Tyson Track Center. With no room at the building for the weight event, the competition was held at Walker Indoor Pavilion, about a half-mile away.

The remaining 18 finals are today.

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Religion Editor: Denise Turner - 733-0931, Ext. 243

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God doesn't care who wins or loses

Memo to my friends in the class of '73: I have important news. Once in a lifetime news. News you're waiting 27 years to hear. I can finally grow sideburns.

I know how you have been waiting for this moment, so you can move on with your lives now. My facial hair has come. Puberty, at long last, is over. I can do that. Andy Gibb look we all covet in the seventies.

Too bad Andy has ... you know ... passed on. Not to mention his look. You have no idea how hard I prayed for this day to come when we were in high school. Remember how you all would tease me about what a "smoothy" I was used to shave every month, whether I wanted it or not. Mostly not. I wanted that full sideburns like Gary Malone once had. Like Mark Nelson had. Like just about everybody had - except me. And now I have them. Well, sort of. Instead of thick and full, they're more thin and scraggly. And gray. Really gray. But I would have settled for thin, scraggly, gray sideburns back in 1973. I would have considered them an answer to prayer.

VALUESPEAK Joseph Walker

But God waited until now to answer my prayers. And boy, did He ever answer them! Not only did He give me sideburns, but now I've suddenly got hair growing on my ears, in my nose, on my back and all kinds of other places where I never had hair before. I thought about asking God to slow down the follicularization of my body, but I'm afraid of what that would mean to my already receding hairline.

Of course, it's altogether possible that God's hesitation to answer my teenage prayers could have been a divine disguise. It could be that sideburns would have made me totally uncool completely ... oh, I don't know ... irresistible to the young ladies with whom I went to high school (hey, it could happen!). Who knows what sort of trouble that would've gotten me into. You're all painfully aware that I had a hard enough time staying out of trouble when I was totally and completely residing.

Or maybe while I was asking for sideburns, God was too busy responding to my parents' pleas to keep me safe - mostly from myself (like the time Dave and Jim and I took our respective beaters cars and tried to see who could be the first to hit 100 mph driving down out of Mueller Park; we probably each killed off a couple of guardian angels that night - or at least drove them to drink).

Or it could be that maybe - just maybe - God doesn't care at all that much about sideburns. I know that's difficult to fathom. It's certainly a new concept with which I must now grapple. But maybe He's more interested in how we respond to the circumstances of our lives than in trying to manipulate those circumstances for us or against us. Like those athletes who are always thanking God for helping them make sectional plays to win ball games. Maybe God isn't interested in who wins and loses games as much as He is interested in how the winners and losers conduct themselves.

But then, what do I know? I'm no theologian. I just know that 27 years ago I wanted sideburns but couldn't have them, and now I have them but don't know what to do with them. Is there some sort of lesson in that for me? Some sort of reward? Some sort of sign? Or is that just my life - is - full of curious twists and turns that we must learn to navigate, with or without divine intervention?

God only knows. And so far, He's not telling.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

Funeral dinners begin healing process

By Karma M. Fitzgerald
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - For Joan Myers, the hardest part of her husband's funeral was walking away from his graveside.

She was in a daze, she said. What brought her out of that state was the bereavement dinner that followed.

Nearly 100 of Myers' family and friends gathered at Jerome's First Baptist Church for a home-cooked meal, visiting and sharing memories of Lee Myers, Joan's husband of 42 years.

"You just aren't functioning," Myers said. "The dinner helped me immensely."

Family and friends supported her during the difficult time, Myers explained. That made each day a little easier to get through.

Funeral dinners have long been a tradition in our culture, but the people who organize them often go unnoticed. In the horrible days surrounding the death of a loved one, these people, mostly women, quietly put together a warm dinner for 10 - or 100. And they function like a well-oiled machine, knowing exactly how many people five cans of green beans will feed or how much cake 25 people can consume.

For Faye Vinyard, the motivation is simple: "It's what Jesus would have done," she said. "It's a wonderful ministry."

Vinyard serves on one of two funeral dinner committees at Bull's First Christian Church.

"After a death, the families are disoriented and it's hard to get things organized," she said. "This is a place for them to come and visit. It's very important."

When someone within the congregation passes away, Vinyard said, the announcement usually comes over the prayer chain and it's when she and her team spring into action. She reaches within the church contacts the family to get a rough estimate of how many people to expect and any requests they might have. Then she picks up the telephone and starts rounding up food.

"Food is the one thing, sometimes the only thing, you know someone needs at a time like this," she said.

"The whole role of food is important in our culture," added Jim Palmer, who teaches a class on death and dying at the College of Southern Idaho. "It's nourishing, nurturing and it's relaxing and its filling, especially when people are in an emotional state. It's a way of balancing for people, their culture, or, how many people they served, what to do differently or the same at the next dinner ..."

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Diane Smith, Cheryl Lockwood and Kenra Godfrey prepare food for a funeral as part of their volunteer work done through the Kimberly 1st Ward Relief Society. LOREN CASTOR/The Times-News

their friends and family. Here, they can all meet in one place."

Harding has been organizing funeral dinners for nearly 30 years. She admits that, during the last few years, it has sometimes been difficult to find people who have the time to put a dish together on short notice, especially in a small parish.

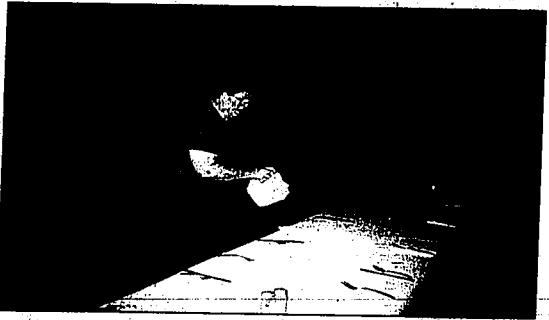
Harding, like many dinner organizers, said the key is keeping detailed notes. She and her fellow committee members, Mary Houchens and Grace Hager, keep track of how much food is prepared, how many people showed up, or, how many people they served, what to do differently or the same at the next dinner ..."

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Nelia McDonald helps prepare for a recent funeral dinner, which was organized by the Compassionate Services Committee at the Shoshone LDS Church. KARINA M. FITZGERALD/The Times-News

Church finds a permanent home

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

HEYBURN - After three years of meeting at the United Methodist Church building, Pastor Daniel Coto's independent congregation finally has a permanent home. He says it feels good.

Our Family Fellowship has been a full-fledged church body of believers since 1995. Members believe the Bible is the literal word of God, and in the New Testament model of the church. They say they are "trinitarian" and charismatic. Speaking in tongues occurs at their meetings and prayers are noisy, joyful outpourings of the heart.

There is also an emphasis on a family feeling that binds the group together.

The majority of the membership is Hispanic, but Coto said he hopes that will not be a stumbling block for anyone seeking a church family.

"We hope to be a multicultural church," Coto said. "Everyone is welcome to worship with us. Now that we have our own building, we hope more people will discover us."

The new building is the former Gentle Shepherd Alliance Church on Alfresco Road in Heyburn, just off Highway 24. It has a modest sanctuary with a stained glass window, Sunday School classrooms and a kitchen big enough for several cooks.

Steve and Monica Rodriguez plan to be confirmed as members on March 12. For two days prior to that, the entire church family will be involved in a special prayer for their anointing. Monica Rodriguez is already the church music leader, and she is in charge of the church's benevolence account.

"We had a lot of growing to do," she said. "Our friends brought us



Visitors welcome

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Wednesday School at 7:30 p.m.

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Galeana), church office (during

services) or 679-0136.

here, and we have learned how to help our marriage grow stronger by doing things the Lord's way."

Her husband smiled in agreement.

"I grew up in a Christian home, but I didn't have a relationship with Jesus," he said. "God has given us a good pastor. I can seek wisdom with him at different times."

Coto has established a mentoring program at the church. It is

designed to enable him to stay with new members and continue to teach them.

Maggie Rico is a single parent who loves her congregation.

"I am looking forward to seeing the changes that are happening in people's lives," she said. "There is such a passion for God."

Two couples are currently receiving training to become church elders, and Coto said there would be more as time goes on. Two other couples are being prepared to be deacons.

Being received into membership requires some commitment on the part of the members and a full understanding of the vision of the church leadership. Coto describes this as a type of covenant relationship under the supervision of the body.

"Help for the hearing impaired will be available at the church within a couple of months. Starting this summer, the church

doors will be open during the day for anyone seeking a quiet place to pray or receive counseling.

"We have no desire to take people from any other church," Coto said. "We seek to offer a church home to those who are unchurched."

Four years ago, Josie Delacruz attended her first service at Coto's church, and she has never looked back.

"Brother Coto has helped me a lot with my family situation," she said.

"More than 25 people turn out on Wednesdays evenings for Bible study and fellowship. They are led by Abel Saldana, who acquaints people with the New Testament faith in an easy format. He provides study materials for people to take home, too. And there is always coffee and a snack."

The new building has plenty of space for Coto's informal class.

Candidates boldly talk about God

By Michael E. Young
The Dallas Morning News

If a single constant unites the major presidential contenders, it is religious faith - Christian, mainstream and, in most cases, boldly proclaimed.

But as Jesus talk raises questions, including about sincerity and political motivation, then about the ramifications, how a candidate's beliefs might shape his presidency.

"Religion has always been popular in American politics," said John C. Green, director of the Bliss Institute of Applied Politics at the University of Akron, "but to have all of the major candidates publicly profess their faith is just extraordinary."

The candidates' professions have been so often, and at such high-profile moments, shared byolars and political insiders can't remember a campaign remotely like it. It's a dramatic shift from the days when John F. Kennedy had to assure voters that his Roman Catholicism wouldn't affect his presidency.

"At times it seems like the candidates were running for the holy man of the year award instead of president," said the Rev. C. Welton Giese, president and director of the Interfaith Alliance, a national organization that often opposes the policies of conservative religious organizations.

"I think the judgment is, 'Is it good or bad thing? If talk about religious faith is a natural part of

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LDS lecture series set for area churches

The Know Your Religion lecture series, sponsored by the Church Educational System of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, continues this month at several area churches. All programs begin at 7 p.m.

Charles Beckert will speak Friday at the West Stake Center, 240 N. Park Ave., on "Structure vs. Sequence to a Successful Marriage." He is a teacher at the LDS Institute in Ogden, Utah.

Ronald E. Bartholomew, a teacher at the LDS Institute in Ogden, Utah, will speak Friday at the Kimball Stake Center, 3500 E. in Twin Falls, and again March 18 at the Hailey Chapel on Broadford Road and Cedar Street. His topic is "The Appearances of Jesus Christ at His Second Coming and Prophecy From the Old Testament."

Jerald Jex will speak March 18 at the Wendell Stake Center, 605 N. Idaho, on "The Lord's Way." He is a religion instructor at Ricks College in Rexburg.

Leanne Ardath Kapp will speak March 18 at the Rupert West Stake Center, 100 W. 36 S., on "Encircled in the Arms of His Love." Ages 16 and above are invited and encouraged to bring their scriptural scriptures. Formal wear (blouse, jacket, skirt or pants for women; dress slacks and shirt for man) is expected. No tape recorders, please. Cost is \$5 at the door or by season ticket.

Christian motorcycle group to meet today

TWIN FALLS - The Christian Motorcyclist Association will meet at 9:30 a.m. today at the Weston Inn, 1309 Bannock St., Bldg. 2.

Members will plan activities of "Refreshing," scheduled for April 7-8 at the Christian Center Foursquare Church.

The group's first ride is planned for April 1, meeting at Petro II to depart at 9 a.m. The ride will follow at the Wagner home.

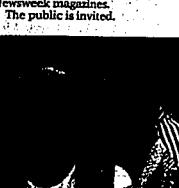
For more information, call Rene at 537-6666, Steve at 324-8715 or Dodge at 733-8670.

Hazleton pastor to speak in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - Pastor Billy Wayne Eppenhart will speak at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Amazing Grace Fellowship, 1061 Eastland St.

Eppenhart is the pastor of the Hazleton Christian Center in Hazleton, Colo. He speaks about the Columbine tragedy. He has appeared on CNN's "Crossfire," NBC's "Meet the Press," CBS News' "UpFront," MSNBC, Swedish Broadcasting Corp., BBC, TBN, Life Today, CBN and in Time and Newsweek magazines.

The public is invited.



Mariel and Jerry Caven

Caven to share stories of India

TWIN FALLS - Jerry Caven will speak at 9:30 and 9:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene, 1231 Washington St. N.

Caven and his wife, Mariel, will talk about going to India and sharing the gospel through the "Jesus" film.

Admission is free. Child care will be provided. For more information, call 733-6610.

Victory Bible Church presents new series

TWIN FALLS - Victory Bible Church, 288 Tyler St., will present a new Sunday school series at 10 a.m. beginning this Sunday.

The video series is produced by Answers on Genesis and features host Ken Ham. Paul Mike Jones says the series will be shown this Wednesday, at the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E.

Call 733-1919 for more information.

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Mennonite youth choir to perform

TWIN FALLS - The Flier Mennonite Youth Chime Choir, under the direction of Rebecca Miller, will perform at 10 a.m. Sunday at Rock Creek Community Church, meeting at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 131 Grandview Drive.

Pastor Dale Menger will speak.

on "Face to Face with the Devil."

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9 a.m.

Petit to appear at Grace Baptist Church

TWIN FALLS - Evangelist Steve Petit will conduct evangelistic services this week at Grace Baptist Church, 798 Eastland Drive, N. Services are planned for 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday.

Petit has conducted more than 300 campaigns throughout the United States and preached in nine foreign countries. He spends summer preaching in youth camps.

He holds a master's degree in pastoral studies from Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C. He was Aoyush pastor at the First Baptist Church in Bridgeport, Mich.

His meetings are geared for the whole family and include music provided by the evangelist and Associate evangelists Jeremy Frazee and Tim Chapman. Petit will conduct programs for children and teens. Nursery care will be provided for infants. Services will be interpreted for the hearing impaired.

The public is welcome. For more information, call 733-1452 or 736-6794.

Unitarians to have guest ministers

TWIN FALLS - The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Twin Falls will have guest ministers the next two weeks. Services are at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the YFCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd.

This Sunday, the Rev. Wendy Collins will speak on "Regaining a Sense of Self - Through Choice." Collins is a nondenominational minister and regular guest speaker at the Light Mountain Church of Religious Science in Ketchum. She also is a homopatric practitioner who does bodywork on animals and directs a program for equine-assisted therapy at the Sunbeam Arena.

On March 19, the Rev. David Rankin, a Unitarian minister at the Columbia River church, will speak on "Cry to Hell!" The Teen Seekers will dedicate their world religion banners, and a podium brunch will follow.

The Unitarian will also will have a workshop on "Who Is Jesus of Nazareth?" at 7 p.m. Friday in the Y church.

The UUF of Twin Falls holds potluck brunches and discussions every Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. service. Forum begins about 11:30 a.m. at the Y. This Sunday, the Unitarian will lead a discussion about plans for the new Unitarian Shoshone Falls Park. All are welcome. Please bring a brunch item to share.

Kendell to speak at Hazelton church

HAZELTON - Thomas Kindell will speak at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday and 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Valley Assembly of God Church, 35 Main St.

Kindell says he will discuss an ardent evolutionist, Darwin, and his exposure to the scientific case of creation, became a zealous creationist. He will speak on related topics and show color slides.

The public is invited.

God Squad puts on puppet show in Buhi

BUHL - A puppet show featuring the God Squad, youth puppeteers from the First Christian Church, Gooding, will be presented at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Buhi United Methodist Church, 503 Maple St.

Soup and sandwiches will be served. Everyone is invited. A freewill offering will be accepted. For more information, call Charlotte Martin at 543-6169 or Michelle Violett at 543-6505.

TF Methodists plan prayer study for Lent

TWIN FALLS - A Lenten study of "Prayer" will be held Wednesday for five weeks beginning this Wednesday, at the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E.

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A simple dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., with the study at 7 p.m. Child care will be provided. For more information, call 733-5872.

St. Jerome's offers Lenten lunches

JEROME - St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E., is offering lunches during the season of Lent.

On the menu are homemade soup, sandwiches, homemade pies, coffee and punch. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 17 through April 14. Cost is \$4.

For more information, call Anne at 324-2668.

Lutheran convention to be held in Nampa

NAMPA - "Souring like Eagles" is the theme of the Lutheran Laymen's League Convention, set for March 17-19 at Zion Lutheran Church, 404 Nectarine in Nampa.

Dusan Toth, Dusan Toth, consultant to the International Ministry Department of the Lutheran Hour Ministries, will be the featured speaker. Other speakers include the Rev. Sandor Arguello and Dr. Ralph Bohmlein. For more information, call 452-6265.

Paul Methodists plan chicken noodle dinner

PAUL - The United Methodist Church, Homestead Chicken Noodle Dinner is set for 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at the church, 1225 Paul St.

A freewill offering will be accepted. Homemade noodles will be available for \$2.50 a bag.

The public is invited.

Men's choir to sing at Reformed Church

TWIN FALLS - The Gallatin Valley Men's choir will perform at 7 p.m. March 18 at the Twin Falls First Methodist Church, corner of Pole Line Road and Grandview Drive in Twin Falls.

The 40-voice choir represents nearly a dozen different churches.

Members sing traditional hymns and gospel songs, in four-part round harmony.

The public is invited. A freewill offering will be taken to help defray choir expenses.

St. Nicholas to hold pre-Easter service

RUPERT - A pre-Easter prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. March 23 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 602 F St.

Spokesperson Marie Ignac said the purpose is to "prepare our hearts for Easter and to bring together people of every denomination."

Friendship and refreshment time follows. No offering will be taken.

Burley Presbyterians plan Camp Sawtooth

BURLEY - The First Presbyterian Church announced the summer schedule for Camp Sawtooth. The camp board is seeking camp deacons and cabin counselors.

Opening weekend is May 26-29, staff training will be June 1-17. The schedule includes Fifth and Sixth-Grade Camp from June 18-23 and July 16-21, Junior High Camp from June 25-30 and July 23-28, Niners Camp from July 2-7, Fourth-Grade Camp from July 13-14, Senior High Camp from July 30-Aug. 4 and Camp Maintenance for High from Aug. 6-9.

For more information, call 678-5131.

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Several Magic Valley-area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Called to serve:

• Elder Jeremy A. Orton will serve in the Oville Valley Mission.

He will speak at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 12th Ward chapel, 824 Caswell Ave. W.

Orton graduated from Twin Falls High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho. He is the son of Rosalie and LaMar Orton of Twin Falls and an Eagle Scout.

• Sister Hazel Patterson will serve in the California San Bernardino Spanish-speaking Mission. She will speak at 12:45 p.m. Sunday at the Unity 1st Ward chapel, 250 E. 274 S.

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A cure attributed to American nun defies medical explanation

By David O'Reilly
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — There was a box in Amy Wall's home that pried open when she laid her hands on it. Diamond-shaped with moderate-to-severe deafness, Amy, age 1, would smile and dance when she felt music throbbing inside that radio. Then, one day in November 1993, her mother pressed a small square of black cloth to the hearing aids in Amy's ears.

Amy was too young to comprehend that the Roman Catholic belief in holy relics, and too deaf to hear her family's daily prayers to

Mother Katharine Drexel, a Philadelphia nun dead 38 years. But four months later, as she sat learning sign language at Trenton's Katsenbach School for the Deaf, her teacher was stunned to see Amy turn her head at the sound of a cough or a clucking doorbell.

Was it a "miracle"?

Yes, says Pope John Paul II, who in January decreed that Amy's cure was a result of Mother Katharine's intercession in response to the Wall family's prayers. But to many doctors, scientists and philosophers, the word "miracle" smacks of illogic, even

superstition. "I would say there's a great deal of skepticism in medicine to any religious solution," says Gary

Clawson, professor of pathology at the Gillen Cancer Research Institute at Pennsylvania State University. And Freeman J. Dyson, professor of physics at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton,

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Likewise, cautioning that the "miracle" of the phenomenon is scientifically proved only if it can be repeated and observed under controlled conditions."

But in 1996, Monsignor Alfonso Palenzona, chancellor of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Vatican's vice-papal-nuncio, or local observer, of Mother Katharine's cause for sainthood, asked a Norristown otolaryngologist

to look at Amy's case.

Kenneth M. Grundfast of Washington, one of the nation's pre-eminent pediatric otolaryngologists, reviewed Amy's case, said. "In all of my career I have never heard of a case of a child born with severe hearing impairment who has recovered and then been tested with results showing normal hearing."

The doctors' findings became the second and final "miracle" that Mother Katharine needed to become a Roman Catholic saint. The first was in 1974, when the dissolved bones in the painfully infected ear of 14-year-old Robert

Gutherman grew back inexplicably after he and his family prayed to Mother Katharine.

After seeing a PBS-TV special about Robert Gutherman's cure, Constance Wall obtained a square of cloth from a nun's habit worn by Mother Katharine, and laid it on Amy's ear.

And so, on Oct. 1, Amy Wall's ears will fill with the peal of bells at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome as Pope John Paul II ceremonially canonizes Mother Katharine — a wealthy heiress who devoted her life and vast fortune to poor blacks and Indians — as "Saint Katharine Drexel."

Farrakhan's peace, unity speech raises hopes and some disbelief

By Jim Jones
Knight Ridder News Service

When minister Louis Farrakhan first declared publicly that he had a change of heart, he gave us hope that we would see an end to his diatribes against whites, Jews and others.

But we may be expecting too much too soon.

Following an experience with God last year, the Nation of Islam leader pledged to uplift "lost and fallen humanity regardless of their color, their race or their creed," Religion News Service reported. Also, the powerfully magnetic leader who drew multitudes to his Million Man March five years ago says his movement is shifting toward traditional Islam.

Many people hope this is the real thing, since Farrakhan commands much influence and could do much to bring reconciliation among all religious and racial groups in American society. But the peace signals were mixed at Farrakhan's recent Saviors Day Conference in Chicago, attended by 20,000 people.

Farrakhan did speak words of peace during the event. Several times, he embraced W. Deen Mohammed, leader of the rival Muslim American Society, a much larger predominantly African-American Muslim group that has moved away from earlier teachings of white hatred and anti-Semitism.

Farrakhan asserts that his own Nation of Islam is moving toward traditional Islam, too, and that he seeks closer ties with all groups "not for evil but for love, not for hatred but in good," The Associated Press reported. And the Nation of Islam now acknowledges that the prophet Mohammed is the final prophet, not Elijah Muhammad, the

leader of the original separatist black Muslim movement.

But there were some snags in the peace effort.

Farrakhan, who once called Judaism a "gutter religion," said nothing to the rabbi Jews. But he allowed Rabbi David Weiss, the leader of a small fringe Orthodox Jewish group that opposes the state of Israel, to speak.

Weiss' group, known as Neturei Karta International, has the extremely radical notion that the Holocaust was punishment for Jews who created the state of Israel by secular means.

Mark Barkin, director of the Southwest Region of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said Farrakhan is just changing tactics.

"Instead of attacking Jews personally, he used a radical element of the Hasidic movement to do his dirty work for him," he said.

Attacks pain Bob Jones students

By Ken Garfield
Knight Ridder News Service

Bob Jones University students and alumni don't have horns or wear hoods. They're not wild-eyed fanatics bent on taking over the world for their version of Christ.

As I write this, a Bob Jones graduate is sitting across from me, doing his job, cheerfully fitting in with colleagues of differing races and religions, treating all of us with respect.

I'm sure I don't believe everything he believes. I know I don't believe much of what his alma mater believes. But amid the rain down on the suddenly Christian university of 5,000 in Greenville, S.C., Nelms moved to make this one point: Let the politicians and pundits condemn the institution. Just don't demonize the young people who pray and study there.

When you go to Bob Jones, you're prepared to swim against the stream. While your peers at other colleges are drinking, dancing and, oh yes, studying, you're working to live a life of obedience to Christ and clean living. Mandate church. No smoking or drinking. No dating off campus without a chaperone. No show of affection between the sexes. Ties for the guys, dresses for the girls. Long dresses for the girls. No rock

music on the stereo, not even Christian rock. Quiet in the dorm halls at 7 p.m. Prayer groups at 10:30. Lights out at 11.

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But though their allegiance is intact, I hear the hurt in the voices of current and former students. They understand and accept that others view them as conservative, perhaps radically so. But they grieve in being portrayed as prejudiced, blindly obedient or just plain odd.

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will be our guest speaker here at Amazing Grace Fellowship.

Pastor Bill

was at the epicenter

of the Columbine

Tragedy

and has been speaking from his

experience to the nation.

He has appeared on CNN's

Crossfire

Larry King Live

CBS News

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Upfront

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MORNING BREAK

Whoopi accepts acting award

People in the news

Archbishop Thomas C. Kelly.

He said neither he nor his fiancee had received negative feedback. "We've literally not had one phone call, not one person to express any negative feelings," he said. "In fact, just the opposite."

Goldberg laughed so hard she cried while watching a montage of clips from her films, including "Soapdish," "Clara's Heart" and "The Color Purple."

Planned wedding prompts protests by some in church

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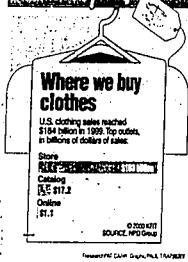
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Jerome chamber holds banquet

JEROME — The Jerome Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet Wednesday.

The event begins at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. The awards ceremony will follow. Awards include the Lifetime Achievement Award, Business of the Year, Ambassador of the Year and many other special recognitions, the chamber said.

Make reservations by calling the chamber office at 324-2711 by 5 p.m. Monday. Tickets are \$25 per person.

Dell's Micron memory might be defective

BOISE — Dell Computer Corp. recently discovered that as many as 400,000 of **MICRON** its laptop computers may have faulty memory chips that were made by Micron Technology Inc.

The Round Rock, Texas-based company sent letters this week to customers who purchased the Latitude and Inspiration notebooks shipped between Feb. 1, 1999, and Nov. 20, Dell spokesman Rob Crawley said.

Micron spokeswoman Julie Nash said Micron will replace the bad memory products and that the cost of the replacements is being negotiated between the companies.

Dell sells more personal computers in the United States than any other company, claiming 17 percent of the market. Compaq, which follows with 16.1 percent, is the largest PC manufacturer in the world.

The problem was discovered when Dell analyzed a string of customer-service calls showing similar problems. The computers froze when coming out of a sleep mode that allows users to save power. The freeze caused a loss or corruption of data.

Including the defect was difficult, Crawley said, because systems can crash for a variety of reasons.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

FCC approves Qwest, U.S. West merger

The Times-News
and The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators Friday conditionally approved the \$50 billion merger of Qwest Communications Inc. and regional Bell company U.S. West Inc., which provides local phone service to the Magic Valley.

Qwest will have to divest itself of 14 customers in the U.S. West territory of 14 Western states.

In the Magic Valley, no U.S. West workers will lose their jobs to the merger, and customers still can expect commitment to improved service, U.S. West spokesman Mike Reynoldson said when the merger plan was announced.

Reynoldson said then U.S.

West will take into the combined company "the commitment it made to increase its investment in its network and in technician training. In addition, he said, Qwest is well-known for Internet-based products and data-transfer systems; U.S. West hopes the merger will accelerate the push to extend the latest high-tech services to the Magic Valley.

The Federal Communications Commission gave conditional approval Friday on a 5-0 vote.

The announcement comes after Deutsche Telekom AG abruptly ended talks to acquire the two Denver-based telecommunications companies.

The FCC said Qwest must give up about 6 percent of its long-distance customers, all of whom live

in areas served by U.S. West. Commissioners said they want to ensure that Qwest's plans to turn over those customers to another company won't be finalized before the merger is approved.

"Qwest's divestiture and the commission's approval must be completed prior to closing the merger," the FCC said in a statement.

Qwest on Thursday blamed U.S. West for pushing away Deutsche Telekom. Although Qwest did not tell Deutsche Telekom as the suitor, people familiar with the negotiations confirmed that the German telephone company met with executives of both U.S. West and Qwest to discuss a three-way deal.

"We regret that U.S. West apparently wouldn't even consider an alternative transaction involving" Deutsche Telekom, Joseph P. Nacchis chairman and chief executive officer of Qwest, said in a statement.

Additionally, some states are reviewing the merger for approval.

U.S. West had said it would enter into an agreement with Deutsche Telekom only if it did not jeopardize or delay its merger with Qwest, and only if the new offer was equal to or better than the offer from Qwest.

Deutsche Telekom refused to comment on what it called market rumors.

"We have several irons in the fire, but we never name names. But we are still continuing our path seeking internationalization partners. We are not under time

pressure to do anything," spokesman Hans Ehret said.

Qwest started negotiations with Deutsche Telekom weeks ago, telling the back of U.S. West. Last week, U.S. West executives threatened to sue Qwest if the company tried to back out of their deal.

The friction between Qwest and U.S. West appeared to ease over the weekend after Qwest said it would agree to an offer only if it included U.S. West.

But the hard line on negotiations with Deutsche Telekom increased the tension between U.S. West and Qwest.

Nacchis said Friday that U.S. West was "very pleased" with the start of amazing," adding that the events of the past few weeks were among "the most bizarre things that I have been through."

Analysts say more casino mergers are on the way as the big get bigger

Ameristar says it doesn't intend to change ownership

The Times-News
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LAS VEGAS — Casino analysts predict more mergers are on the horizon for an industry adept at knowing when to hold 'em, when to fold 'em.

"There are definitely going to be more deals," Jason Ader, casino analyst for Bear, Stearns & Co. said after MGM Grand's \$4.4-billion buyout of Mirage Resorts Inc. last month.

"There are no new states approving gaming so only way a company is going to grow is to acquire," Ader said.

But the Las Vegas player with Magic Valley ties — Ameristar Casinos Inc. — isn't talking about any specific alliance plans.

"As a small-cap gaming company with roots that extend more than 45 years in Nevada and Idaho, Ameristar is an organization that has been conservative and strategic in its growth," Gillian Silver, vice president of communications, said Friday. "As with all progressive companies, we continue to look for favorable expansion opportunities."

Las Vegas-based Ameristar owns and operates Cactus Petes Resort and Casino and The Horseshoe Hotel & Casino in Jackpot, Nev., and casino properties in Vicksburg, Miss., Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Las Vegas.

The company's nicely performing Jackpot properties — which play to mainly Magic Valley residents in this area — reported net revenues of \$58.3 million for 1999 and operating income for the year of \$10.6 million. But they're not necessarily plums to be picked.

"While the potential for an unsolicited offer to merge operations always exists, Ameristar does not intend to change ownership," said Marvin Roffman, a casino ana-

lyst with Roffman Miller Associates. "It's just such a prime company. They own fabulous real estate and have fabulous assets."

Mandalay, formerly Circus Enterprises, reported disappointing fourth-quarter results last month, blaming the figures on a ho-hum holiday season.

Mandalay stock has been trading in the \$14 range, down 30 percent for the year. Company

officials did not return phone calls this week seeking comment.

Roffman agreed that Tuesday's passage of a constitutional amendment in California legalizing Indian casinos could spell trouble for Nevada.

A bear, Stearns report last month noted 35 percent of Nevada's casino revenue is generated by Californians, and the spread of Indian gambling after Proposition 1A could affect the Northern California market.

"Mandalay Resorts is very, very focused on Nevada, and don't have the geographical diversification of someone like Harrah's," Roffman said. "So if Nevada is impacted by Indian gaming in California, they would have a high percentage of their assets that could get hurt."

Roffman said he expected mergers in the industry to "continue unabated, and could even speed up as the California market bleeds."

Ader calls smaller casino companies such as Astor, Isle of Capri, Argosy and Pinnacle "good targets" for the majors.

"Harrah's and Park Place have been aggressive acquirers of casino assets," Ader said. "The real question of smaller companies is do they continue to grow through acquisition or do they consolidate."

"The big companies will be looking for acquisitions and the small companies will be looking at other small companies," Ader said. "Everything is fair game at this point."

Roffman thinks the gambling industry is a perfect candidate for consolidation.

"Three characteristics about the casino industry never change," Roffman said. "It's very heavily regulated, it takes very deep pockets to be in the business, and it's very management intensive. To me, that's the perfect environment for more consolidation."

Times-News Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins contributed to this report.

EXTENDING THE MONOPOLY



Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill Gates, left, listens to a game demonstration from Microsoft game developer Scamus Blackley at the Game Developers Conference 2000 in San Jose, Calif., Friday. Microsoft is setting up a battle of the gaming giants as it takes the wraps off an entertainment console code-named 'X-Box' in a bid for a larger chunk of the \$11 billion video gaming industry. The new system is slated for a fall 2001 release.

BANKRUPTCIES

The Times-News

BOISE — Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Elmer Merle Carle and Bonnie Marie Carle, also known as Bonnie M. Beving and Bonnie Bassett, 527 11th Ave. N., Buhi, individual, nonbusiness; Chapter 7, 16-19 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-40240.

Lorraine Raymond Mack, 101 E. 18th, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-40313.

Chapter 7, business status not listed, under \$50,000

Laura Haynes, 453 1/2 Third

Ave. N., Twin Falls, individual, business status not listed, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-40308.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Jay Andrew Roach, also known as Andy Roach, and Julie Ann Roach, also known as Anne Roach, Jan Roach, 401 14th Ave. N., Burley, individual, nonbusiness; Chapter 7, 106-200 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-40242.

Javier Alvarez and Sarah Alvarez, 4844 AE 3100 N., Murtough, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-40312.

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Americans are handling debt wisely — for now

Chicago Tribune

Rolling with the economic good times, upbeat consumers are assuming unprecedented levels of installment debt — and handling it fairly well.

In the long run, though, surface, however, are madding concerns that Americans may be saddling themselves with debt loads that will feel a lot less comfortable should the economy slow significantly or the stock market turn downward for a sustained period.

"If you're asking, 'What is the effect of powerfully increasing consumer debt loads?' said Elizabeth Warren, a professor at Harvard Law School, "the answer is, 'It's taking the flexibility out of American family finance.'

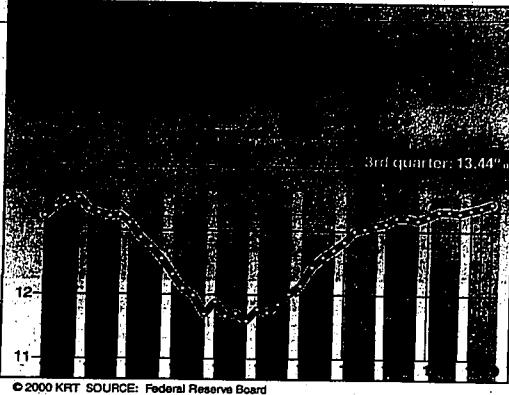
"By taking on debt, families have taken away their cushion," said Warren, who specializes in bankruptcy law.

On the whole, the picture is positive: Fewer Americans are making late payments on loans, defaulting on loans or filing for bankruptcy. Unemployment is very low. Household assets are rising.

But there are pockets of vulnerability. Not every American is flying high. Stocks, for example, are benefiting from rising incomes. New jobs don't necessarily happen as old ones. And the unexpected happens.

As well, economists say, U.S. households are baring their borrowing and savings decisions on a set of optimistic assumptions about job market, personal income growth and stock market performance. And danger lurks if those assumptions prove to be wrong.

"You could see personal bankruptcies start to rise again, and you would probably see delinquency rates on consumer loans, mortgage loans and credit-card borrowing start to rise again," said Tim O'Neill, chief economist for Harris Bank/Bank of Montreal. "I don't think there is any question there would be an adverse shift in the financial health of the household sector."



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This is not to say that O'Neill and other economists foresee a household credit crisis. They don't — in part because many Americans are pretty flush right now.

The state of household finances depends not only on current debt levels, but also on asset levels and asset levels have been getting fed into the market especially by the equity market performance over the last several years," O'Neill said. Still, debt levels are high.

Consumers bought on credit in a big way over the holiday season, contributing to a 7.5 percent increase in outstanding consumer credit in 1999, to a record \$1.4 trillion, according to preliminary figures from the Federal Reserve Board.

This was the greatest annual percentage increase since 1996.

Taking consumer credit and mortgage credit together, estimated debt payments amounted to 13.4 percent of disposable personal income in the third quarter of 1999, the highest level in nearly 10 years. But 60 percent of U.S. households have no mortgage debt, so many Americans have far greater debt burdens than this nationwide estimate would suggest.

While Americans have racked up higher levels of debts of various sorts, they have reduced the amount of money they are saving. The personal savings rate — savings as a percentage

of after-tax income — dropped to a record low of 2.4 percent last year.

Still, economists are not wringing their hands at least yet.

For starters, the savings rate doesn't reflect gains in household assets due to stock price appreciation or increased home values.

And second, several measures seem to indicate Americans are handling their debts fairly well.

Delinquency rates on various sorts of loans are not terribly high, from a historical perspective, according to Fed data.

And the level of loans that banks are writing off is well below levels experienced as the nation emerged from recession in the second half of 1991.

Meanwhile, bankruptcy filings have dropped for the first time since 1994, according to the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. Personal filings declined by 5.3 percent in the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1999, to 1.3 million, coming off a high in the previous fiscal year of 1.4 million filings.

"The data suggest to me that people are becoming more knowledgeable consumers of credit," said Karen Gross, a New York Law School professor specializing in bankruptcy law and consumer finance.

"This doesn't mean filings are low or that there's no trouble, but we are not in a crisis," she said.

Rather, a number of observers say debt-laden consumers could find themselves in tight positions if the job market, the economy as a whole or the stock market take turns for the worse.

If, for example, the Fed continues to raise interest rates, it could lead to a modest recession and stock market correction, O'Neill said.

Rising interest rates would not only raise the cost of borrowing in the future, but also the costs in the increasing numbers of consumers with adjustable-rate loans, noted Susan Stern, president of Economic Analysis Inc. in Greenwich,

Conn.

Some observers see dangers in the current levels of debt, even under the rosy economic conditions that exist now.

Even though unemployment is at a 30-year low, some observers there is a fair amount of job churning taking place, noted Warren of Harvard Law School.

"So you have people moving down the job ladder as well as up," she said.

"If you're not deeply burdened by consumer debt, you can survive it," she said. But if you have big debts, it's a much tougher situation.

Lindy and Donald Vandersteeg of Elk Grove Village, Ill., found that out firsthand when Donald fell at his factory job, injured his knee and was out of work for two years.

"We had had two paychecks and were doing fine," said Lindy Vandersteeg, 49, a network administrator for a downtown law firm. "Our credit was up to date, and we bought a new car."

"Then for two years, it was only my paycheck, and that's what spiraled us into problems," she said.

With \$18,000 in credit card bill collectors breathing down their necks a year ago, they went to Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Chicago, a nonprofit organization that helps clients set up realistic programs to pay off their debts.

Donald Vandersteeg, 38, retrained as a chef and is working for a food-service firm, while the couple has managed to pay off half their debts.

Feeling like they are nearly out of the woods, Lindy Vandersteeg said she will avoid using credit cards in the future.

"Don't get a lot of credit cards, because you cannot foresee the future," she said in a bit of advice to other consumers. "You get complacent, you get comfortable, you get cocky, and the next thing you know, look what happened."

"It took us three years for him to get established again. That's a long time."

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Team raffles off another '\$10 truck'

RUPERT - Minico boosters hope to "ring up" money for the baseball program by raffling a "Minico Red" 1984 Ford Ranger truck.

The vehicle has been dubbed the "\$10 Truck" because each raffle ticket costs \$10.

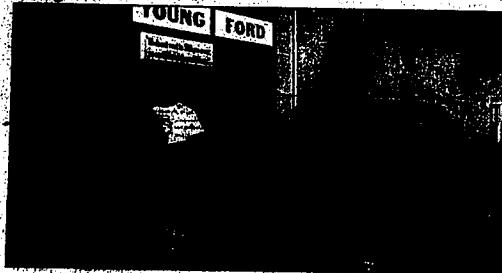
The truck will be raffled on home plate at 7 p.m. on May 2 during the Minico/Pocatello game. Winners need not be present to win but ticket holders are encouraged to attend the final home game of the season.

"There's only 1,500 tickets," Russ Wright, Spartan baseball coach, says. Wright says he hopes to sell all the tickets

and raise enough money to cover the season expenses for the Minico team and help with the American Legion summer baseball program.

Wright started the raffle program last year with a donated 1972 Volkswagen. The refurbished classic was won by a student at Minico.

Community support makes the fundraiser possible.



The Minico Spartan baseball team is raffling off a '\$10 Truck' as a fund-raiser for the team and the American Legion summer baseball team. Left to right, Ryan Jackson, Matt Dunahoo and Jared Price.

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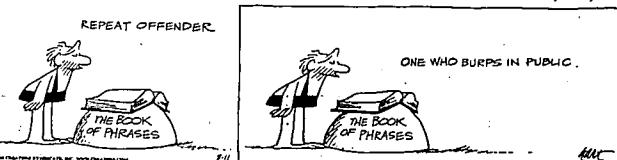
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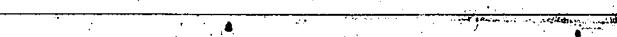
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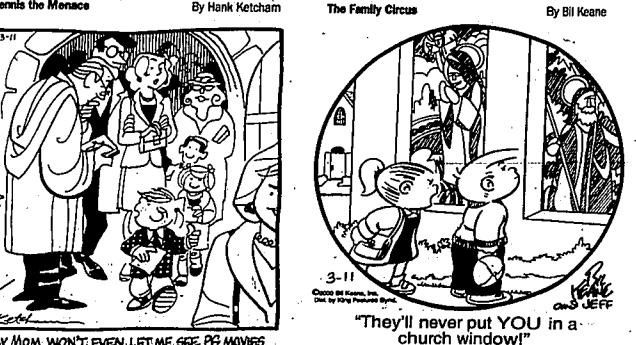
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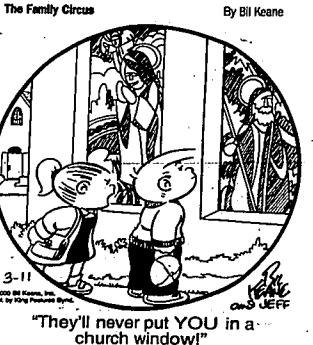
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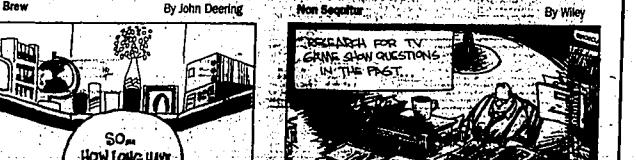
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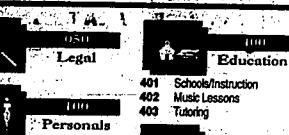
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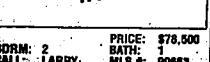
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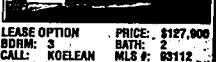
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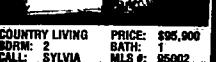
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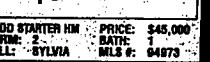
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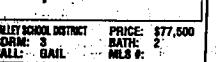
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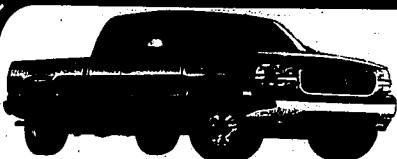


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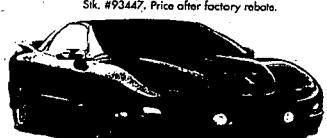


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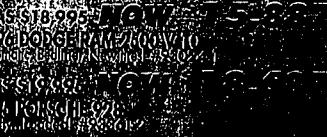


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• Child Restraint Anchors

Powertrain/Chassis
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• 140 HP
• 4-Speed Automatic Transmission
• Vented Front & Solid Rear
• Disc Brakes
• 4-Channel Anti-Lock Brake System
• Power Assisted Rack and Pinion Steering

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• Power Windows
• Vehicle Security/Anti-Theft System
• Remote Keyless Entry
• Headlight Dimmer Switch
• Power Locks
• Vented Front & Solid Rear
• Child Restraint Anchors

Powertrain/Chassis
• 2.3 Liter 16-Valve DOHC 16V
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• Disc Brakes
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• Manual Tilt Steering Column
• 3-Speed Variable/Intermittent Wipers
• Dual Variable Intensity in Sunvisor
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